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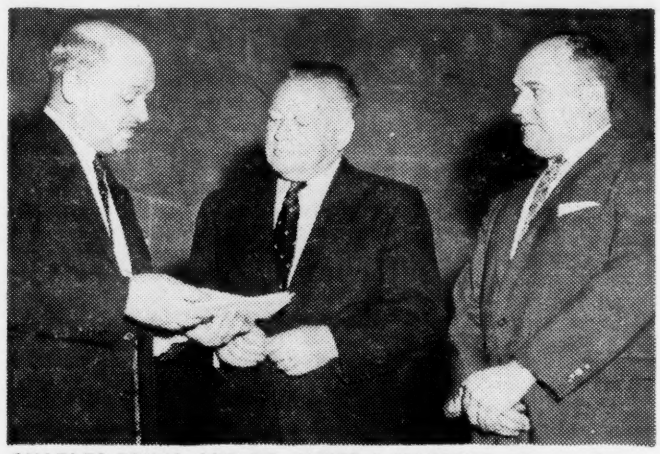
50-Star Flag Format Upright

Map Stamps Point Up Jammu-Kashmir Area

Four colorful map stamps were issued by Pakistan on March 23 to focus world attention on the Jammu and Kashmir area of the Asiatic sub-continent, which has been before the international forum for twelve years, according to the Stamp News Bureau, New York City. The stamps were designed in Karachi; the dies were engraved and the plates made by Thomas de la Rue, Ltd., in London. Printing was done by the Pakistan Security Printing Corp., Ltd., in Karachi.

Values are: 6 pies, brilliant purple; 2 annas, bright orange; 8a., Pakistani green, and 1 Rupee, bright blue. Each features a map of the sub-continent, with both West and East Pakistan shown as darkened areas. Jammu-Kashmir (plus Junagadh and Manavadar) are indicated in white to show them in accurate relationship to Pakistan. The word "PAKISTAN" is in the upper left, in English, and at the upper right, in Bengali and Urdu.

The stamps in sheets of 80 (16x5) are available to dealers only at the Pakistani Postal Administration, c/o Stamp Desk, Pakistan Consulate General, 12 E. 65th St., New York City. The Stamp Desk, which formerly serviced orders from individuals henceforth will serve only as a clearing house for dealers' orders. Face value of the complete set is 36c.



CHARLES PRHAL AND DR. JAMES J. MATEJKA, JR., are shown at left and right above presenting Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield a check for $250,000 for the new Thomas G. Masaryk "Champion of Liberty" stamps issued March 7 in Washington, D. C. The two men were cochairmen of the Thomas G. Masaryk Committee which sponsored the first day ceremony at the Interdepartmental Auditorium in Washington. Official POD Photo

Closer Look At Iraq Army Day And "Escape" Sets Finds Lack Of Accord In Pan-Arab Ideas

Bruce Conde

Reminiscent of the colorful Iraqi Army Day commemoratives of the former monarchy are this year's five bicolors of the Kassim republican regime, as reported in Linn's of January 25 and February 1.

Instead of the late King Feisal II the place of honor is now taken by Iraqi Premier General Abdul Karim Kassim, and the new symbol of the country, the "Sun of Saladin" figures prominently on all but one of the five designs.

Reproduced by photogravure by Courvoisier, the brilliant set is made up of 10, 16, 30, 40 and 60 fils values, all inscribed "Republic of Iraq" and "Postage" in both Arabic and English. On all but the 16f. values appears a very long commemorative text in Arabic only which reads:

"The people and the Army have broken the chains of colonialism in the glorious Revolution of 14 July and the Everlasting Iraqi Republic celebrates this in this period of liberty in commemoration of the founding of the Always Victorious Iraqi Army, 6 January, 1960".

The shorter text on the 16f. (under country name) reads only: "6 January 1960, in commemoration of the founding of the Iraqi Army".

The only other inscription on this set, on the 60f. value, is written across the flag carried by a soldier in a crowd of civilians. It translates: "The Army and the Peo-

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Flying Emblem Emphasizes All 50 Stars In New Design; Data On Other FD's, More Cancels

The 50-star Flag stamp, to be first placed on sale July 4 at Honolulu, Hawaii, will be vertical in format. It was designed by Stevan Dohanos, who was also responsible for the 49-star Flag stamp placed on sale July 4, 1959 at Auburn, N. Y. Both the latter and the 48-star (1957) Flag stamps were horizontal in format.

Emphasis has been placed, subtly, on the union, so that the new placement of the 50 stars might be highlighted as the flag waves in the breeze. The design is borderless, for emphasis, with "JULY 4, 1960" at the top, in blue Roman lettering. Across the bottom, also in blue Roman letters, is "U. S. POSTAGE".

Featured in the center, in blue and red on white, is the flag, flying towards the right. It is attached to an uncolored staff at the left of the design. The value (4c), in large blue lettering, appears below the flag in the lower center portion.

Printing will be on the Giori press, sheet-fed, and perforated by the L-type perforating machine. The stamps will measure 0.84 by 1.44 inches, arranged vertically, and issuance will be in panes of 50 subjects. An initial order for 120,000,000 has been placed.

Collectors desiring first-day cancellations of the 4c 50-star Flag stamp may send addressed envelopes, together with remittances to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the postmaster, Honolulu 13, Hawaii. A close-fitting enclosure of postal card thickness should be

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FD Offer By Greece On New Scout Issue

Special arrangements are being provided for first day cover service when Greece releases her Boy Scouts commemoratives April 23, according to information supplied by Jack R. Treutle of Keyser, W. Va.

The eight-value set will have a face value of 40c, and first day covers will be franked with four stamps each. They are priced at face only, with the actual covers with the compliments of the Greek Post Office Department.

Remittances may be made by international money order or currency. Orders for mint stamps or small lots of first day covers should include additional funds for return postage (8c per ounce surface mail) and registration (40c).

They may be sent to the Postmaster General, Philatelic Office, Odod Voulis 4, Athens, Greece, or to Marinos Yerulanos, Asst. International Commissioner, Soma Hellinon Proskopon, Odos Omirou 14, Athens.

Postponements Made On Both Cyprus March Sets

The Crown Agents Representative in Washington, D. C. has reported an indefinite delay in the appearance of the two previously announced sets of stamps for Cyprus.

Both the proposed overprints and the new Republic commemoratives were withhheld from the scheduled March 19 release. A new date is promised as soon as it can be determined.

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797/98	.23	866/70	.37		1.40
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April 7 Threesome On Iceland Schedule

Iceland has announced the scheduling of two stamps of identical design for April 7 release, to mark World Refugee Year. They are engraving printed in a single color each by De La Rue & Co., London.

The design shows the famous statue "The Outlaw" of the late Icelandic sculptor Einar Jonsson of an outcast man. His child in his arms and his belongings on his back, he is plodding along with his faithful dog guarding close at his knee.

Values and colors are 2.50Kr. brown (1,500,000) and 4.50Kr. blue (750,000). On the same date, April 7, a single stamp of 1Kr. value will be released in the design of the Icelandic Pony adhesive of September 27, 1958.

Surinam Semipostals For UN Refugee Year

Recent philatelic happenings in Surinam, as reported by that nation's philatelic agency in New York, concern a pair for World Refugee Year and miscellaneous data on two other issues.

Two semipostals, 8c plus 5c and 10c plus 3c, will be issued April 7 as Surinam's contribution to the World Refugee program. The duo is being printed in Holland, and will remain on sale only until June 7. Details as to design, colors and quantities printed are not included.

The five-value Aviation set released March 12 is scheduled to go off sale June 30, while the Native Art issue was withdrawn March 15.

Several eagle-eyed collectors questioned the "Lindberg" spelling of the General's name as shown on advance photographs of the 8c value of the Aviation set. This was corrected before the adhesives were printed, and the stamps were released with the proper spelling.

Sonic Boom Cachet On Florida FD Cover

The March 27 opening of the Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. post office at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. was noted with a special cachet to mark the occasion.

The design shows a jet breaking the sound barrier and the legend "Ft. Walton Beach, Florida / Home of the / Sonic Boom / Commemorating the City that has learned to live with the Sonic Boom" all in capitals.

John V. Landos, Jr. of the new office has reported that the device and cancellation will be applied to covers received not later than April 15. They should be properly stamped and addressed, and directed to the postmaster, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. Wrappers should be marked "First Day Covers, Home of the Sonic Boom".

Available Issues Of Japan On Agency List

List No. 19 of the stamps of Japan which are currently for sale at the Taiwan Philatelic Agency has just been issued by that authority. Copies are available on request from the Directorate General of Posts, Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China.

The schedule shows 20 issues—total 58 individual items—from the 1949 Peiping Scenery Silver Dollar 15c and 20c to the recent Thunder Tigers Aerobatic Team trio.

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Guatemala Agency Deal Under Fire

Hot upon the heels of the recent announcement that a philatelic agency operated by private American interests has been opened in New York City for the promotion and sales of the stamps of Guatemala have come rumblings—and more—of local opposition to the entire project.

The contract was duly entered into by responsible officials, but Guatemalan citizens, especially the members of the Philatelic Society of Guatemala, are opposing it bitterly. They have gone directly to top government officials with their complaint, and the resulting uproar has hit the front pages of important area newspapers.

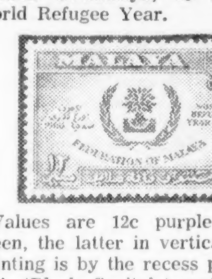
The agency agreement first came to light when the New York firm broadcast circulars setting forth that it is the foreign agent for Guatemalan issues. Immediate investigation disclosed that the November 9 Federal preliminary contract No. 75 concerning the agency was highly objectionable to many.

The newspaper "El Imparcial" labeled it "burdensome, prejudicial to honest name of country", while a spokesman for the Philatelic Society of Guatemala, Kurt Johns Weiss has cabled Linn's that the contract delegates entirely too much control over Guatemalan postal affairs to outside persons.

He also points out—as did "La Hora" of March 17—that the discount of 35% allowed the New York firm is excessive and a matter of "discrimination" and that this high margin for private profit might even result in the sale of stamps at less than face value for eventual return for postal usage in Guatemala.

Malaya Adds Two To World Refugee List

The Crown Agents Representative in Washington, D. C. has announced that a special set of two values has been printed by Thomas De La Rue & Co., Ltd. of London for the Federation of Malaya, to mark the World Refugee Year.



Values are 12c purple and 30c green, the latter in vertical format. Printing is by the recess process on C A (Block Capitals) watermarked paper. The design features the uprooted oak emblem of the United Nations framed by the borders of the respective current Malayan regular issues.

Day of issue is April 7, with sales extending only to July 6.

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136-37	5.88	306-14	1.32	B22-3	.27
156-60	2.25	315 ..	.07	B24	.10
161-63	.39	316 ..	.16	B25	.10
164-75	4.50	317 ..	.09	B26-7	.23
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185-91	4.98	330-1	.14	I3 ...	.15
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244-45	.26	354 ..	.07	M1-2	1.45
246-51	1.90	355-8	.22	Q15-27	4.35
252-56	1.38	359 ..	.08	Q28-30	.40
257 ..	.18	360 ..	.08	Q31-5	.69
258-61	1.00	361-2	.75	Q36-9	.45
262 ..	.15	363-4	.23	GREEN-	
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Patrons desiring to send covers on this flight should prepare them in the usual manner, address them to the person who is to receive them in the USSR, the United States or Canada, and prepay them at 15c per half ounce. The 10c air-letter sheet will also be accepted. Covers should be enclosed in another envelope addressed as follows:

For dispatch from the Airport Mail Facility, International Airport, New York, N. Y. send covers to Superintendent, Airport Mail Facility, International Airport, Jamaica 30, N. Y. For dispatch from the New York General Post Office, send to the postmaster, New York 1, N. Y.

Covers for this flight should reach either office by the day before the scheduled flight. Covers already postmarked and those posted in the usual manner will not receive the cachet.

Plans were also made to include United Nations dispatches of public mail, but the deadline imposed thereon (April 1) combined with the late notice to prevent most collectors from taking advantage of the opportunity.

Door Prizes, Auction At Valley Stream Meetings

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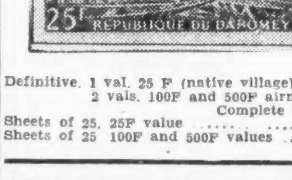

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142 ★	#125 VF appears to be reissue, sold "as is"	???
143 ★	#126 VF appearing, small thin, sold "as is"	???
144 ★	#127 VF appears to be reissue but sold "as is"	???
145 ★	#128 VF appears to be reissue but sold "as is"	???
146 ★	#129 VF short perf, sold "as is"	???
147 ★	#130 VF appears to be reissue but sold "as is"	???
148 ★	#131 VF appears to be reissue but sold "as is"	???
149 ★	#134 VF centering OG SE at right small faults	7.50
150 ⊙	#134 F-VF used Blue Cancel	5.00
151 ⊙	#135 Fine used copy	2.75
152 ★	#137 Average unused copy	30.00
153 ⊙	#137 Average copy, red canc.	12.00
154 ⊙	#138 VF centering sm. faults	8.00
155 ⊙	#138 VF-Superb strong grill	40.00
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325 ★	#416 Strip of 3 Imprint and plate # VG NH	8.50
326 ★⊞	#424-26 Blocks F-VF	5.50
327 ★	#424-30 Fine	8.75
328 ★⊞	#427 Fine block of 4	10.00
329 ★⊞	#428 Fine block of 4	5.00
330 ★⊞	#430 F-VF block of 4	20.00
331 ★⊞	#431 VG-F block of 4	9.00
332 ★⊞	#435 F-VF block of 4	8.50
333 ★	#437 Fine	8.50
334 ★	#441-44 Fine-VF	6.50
335 ★	#441-42 F-VF pairs	2.75
336 ★	#442 Fine pair	2.50
337 ★	#442 Line Pair, Fine	3.50
338 ★	#443 Pair, Superb	3.50
339 ★	#444 VF	4.50
340 ★	#445 Almost VF	20.00
341 ★	#446 Fine	9.00
342 ★	#447 Pair Fine	3.00
343 ⊙	#446 Pair, used, F-VF	5.00
344 ★	#463-64 Fine	5.00
345 ★⊞	#464 Fine mint block	22.50
346 ★⊞	#465 Fine mint block	7.50
347 ★	#473-74 Fine	5.00
348 ★⊞	#473 Fine block of 4	8.50
349 ★⊞	#474 Fine block of 4	12.50
350 ★	#475 Fine	9.00
351 ★	#476 F-VF	14.00
352 ⊙	#477 Fine	8.50
353 ⊙	#479 Very Fine	6.00
354 ★	#480 Superb Centering a beauty	40.00
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356 ⊙⊞	#480 Very Fine Block	40.00
357 ★	#481-84 VF-Superb	3.75
358 ★⊞	#481-84 VF-Superb	15.00
359 ★	#498c Vertical Pair Imperf between short perfs.	35.00
360 ★	#499 Top strip of 20, completely imperf at top rare	75.00
361 ★	#499b Imperf vertically Fine appearing small thin	40.00
362 ★⊞	#499 block of four imperf. between but sold "as is"	???
363 ★⊞	#501-4 blocks F-VF	8.75
364 ★	#507-13 F-VF	6.00
365 ★⊞	#507 Fine mint block	7.00
366 ★⊞	#508-09 F-VF mint blocks	8.00
367 ★⊞	#513 F-VF mint block	4.00
368 ★⊞	#514 Fine mint block	13.50
369 ⊙	#515 Double Impression rare, straight edge	100.00
370 ★	#516-17 Fine	3.75
371 ★	#519 Superb Cent. a beauty	35.00
372 ★⊞	#525-26 F-VF blks of four	4.50
373 ★⊞	#534 Superb mint block	8.00
374 ★	#535 Superb mint	6.75
375 ★⊞	#536 Fine mint block	6.00
376 ★⊞	#537 F-VF block	5.75
377 ★	#537a "Red Violet" shade, rare - average	15.00
378	#537a "Red Violet" shade, rare - fine	20.00
379	#537a "Red Violet" shade, rare - Very Fine	27.50
380 ★⊞	#538, 40-41 VG-F blocks	15.75
381 ★	#541 VG	3.00
382 ★	#541 Fine	4.50
383 ★⊞	#538a, 540a Imperf Horiz. VF appearing gum disturbed	15.00
384 ★⊞	#541 VF-Superb block, Very Rare	37.50
385 ★⊞	#550 block average centering	14.00
386 ★⊞	#550 Fine	22.50
387 ★	#550 Superb mint single	10.00
388 ⊙	#550 Fine	3.00
389 ⊙⊞	#550 used block various faults	7.50
390 ★⊞	#551-54 F-VF blocks	2.50
391 ★⊞	#555 F-VF block	10.00
392 ★⊞	#558 Fine block	10.00
393 ★	#560 Superb, a beauty	6.50
394 ★⊞	#560 Fine block of 4	13.50
395 ★⊞	#561-65 Fine	11.50
396 ★	#564 Horiz. pair imperf. vertically right stamp freak perforated. Brown paper repair by Govt. on reverse	100.00
397 ★⊞	#565-66 Fine mint block	6.00
398 ★⊞	#567 Fine mint block	5.00
399 ★⊞	#568 Fine mint block	5.00
400 ★⊞	#569 Fine mint block	4.75
401 ★	#572 Plate # single Fine	10.00
402 ★	#575 Superb pair	2.75
403 ★⊞	#575 Superb	5.50
404 ★⊞	#576-77 Superb	3.00
405 ★	#581-91 VG-VF complete set	11.00
406 ★⊞	#586-90 Fine mint blocks	15.00
407 ★	#599A Pair, Fine	4.50
408 ★	#599A Line Pair Fine	7.00
409 ⊙	#599A Pair, Superb pair	4.00
410 ★⊞	#612 Fine mint block	10.00
411 ⊙	#612 First Day Cover, scarce	15.00
412 ★⊞	#614 Fine block	2.00
413 ★	#617-19 F-VF	3.75
414 ★⊞	#617-19 F-VF blks of four	15.00
415 ★⊞	#620-21 F-VF arrow blocks	28.00
416 ★⊞	#622-23 VF blocks of four	5.50
417 ⊙⊞	#616 VF used block	15.00
418 ⊙	#616 F-VF used single	3.00
419 ★⊞	#628 Fine block	6.00
420 ⊙⊞	#628 Fine block	3.75
421 ★⊞	#631 Superb block	2.50
422 ★	#632-42 F-VF complete set except #634a	2.00
423 ★	#634 Imperforate printers waste - rare	25.00
424 ★⊞	#646-47 Fine	3.75
425 ⊙⊞	#629-736 Collection of VF used (21 diff) commem. blks	11.00
426 ★⊞	#680-82 F-VF blocks of four	2.75
427 ★⊞	#688-90 F-VF blocks of four	2.00
428 ★	#692-98 F-VF	4.50
429 ★⊞	#692-96 F-VF blocks of 4	12.50
430 ★⊞	#698 Fine block of 4	6.00
431 ★⊞	#701 VF-Superb block of 4	10.00
432 ★	#704-15 VG-VF complete set	3.75
433 ★⊞	#704-14 VG-VF blocks of 4	10.75
434 ★⊞	#716-19 F-VF blocks of four	2.95
435 ★⊞	#724-29 F-VF blocks of four	3.00
436 ★⊞	#727 Blocks with full horiz. gutter between VG and very rare Superb centering	30.00
437 ★⊞	#728 same at #727 but Vertical gutter between	40.00
438 ★⊞	#729 Same as #728 rare	40.00
439 ★⊞	#739 Block of four imperforate horizontally. Only one sheet of 50 found of this rare error. Only about 2-5 blocks exist. Extremely underpriced in Scott	200.00
440 ★⊞	#752 Cross gutter block fine	22.00
441 ★⊞	#771 Superb	4.50
442 ★	#832b USIR watermark error Fine	25.00
443 ★	#832b USIR watermark error in Line Pair Fine	50.00
444 ★⊞	#835-38 F-VF blocks of 4	2.50
445 ★⊞	#859-63 F-VF	4.00
446 ★	#899 VF pair imperf. between	20.00
447 ★⊞	#899 VF block both pairs imperf. between	50.00

AIRMAILS, PARCEL POST, SHANGHAIS, ETC.

Lot #	Cat. #	Retail Value
448 ★	#C1 Extremely Fine mint sgl.	5.50
449 ★⊞	#C4 F-VF	8.50
450 ★	#C5 Superb centering mint single	12.00
451 ⊙⊞	#C2 Used block VG-F	17.50
452 ⊙	#C1 Fine	2.75
453 ★⊞	#C7-9 F-VF blocks of four	6.50
454 ★	#C10a VG-F booklet pane	7.00
455 ★	#C10a VF centering scarce	12.50
456 ★⊞	#C12 VF block of four	5.00
457 ⊙	#C13-15 Complete set on First Day Cover - Extremely rare and few exist	250.00
458 ★	#C23c Error of color, fully guaranteed very rare	175.00
459 ★⊞	#C20 F-VF block of four	2.25
460 ★⊞	#C24 F-VF block of four	6.00
461 ⊙	#C14 On first flight cover scarce	35.00
462 ★	#C25 Unlisted R.F. overprint	???
463 ★	#CE1-2 F-VF blocks of four	2.75
464 ★	#C25 Booklet Pane with RF overprint	???
465 ★	#F1 Fine mint	3.00
466 ★	#K2-5 Fine mint	6.50
467 ★	#K11, 11a Fine mint, both shades	8.00
468 ★⊞	#K12 Fine block	13.50
469 ★	#K16 Fine mint	9.00
470 ★	#K17-18 F-VF mint	10.00
471 ★⊞	#K17 Fine mint block	23.00
472 ★	#Q1-9 Fine	16.00
473 ★⊞	#Q4 Average Cent. mint blks	4.75
474 ★	#Q11 Fine	3.25
475 ★	#Q12 Fine	25.00
476 ★	#Q2 the rare "LAKE" shade few found	50.00
477 ⊙	#Q10 Fine used copy	2.50

OFFICIALS AND LOCALS

Lot #	Cat. #	Retail Value
478 ★	#O12 VF unused copy	25.00
479 ⊙⊞	#O79 VF used block, very rare tiny flaws	100.00
480 ⊙	#O107 VF appearing jumbo margins tiny flaws	12.50
481 ★	#1L3 "Poker Chip" Local - scarce Superb	7.50
482 ★	#1L3 Same but block of four Superb	30.00
483 ★⊞	#2OL14 Unlisted and rare block VF	25.00
484 ★⊞	#2OL15 VF block of four	9.00
485 ★	#2OL15 Complete sheet of 100 with slight flaws thruout. Contains many varieties and errors. Contains a few "CENTS" errors which is unpriced	125.00
486 ★	#2OL15 Complete sheet of 100 same as previous only in VF-Superb condition. Possibly the finest known, rare	250.00

FREAKS, ERRORS, ODDITIES, ETC.

Lot #	Cat. #	Retail Value
487 ⊙	#11 Double Transfer Line thru "Three Cents" and rosettes doubled, (92L1L) F-VF	20.00
488 ⊙	#11 Cracked plate position (96L5L) Fine	15.00
489 ★	#25 Cracked plate, appears unused, faults, sold as is	???
490 ⊙	#24 Double Transfer in "One Cent" (52R1X) Fine	20.00
491 ⊙	#26 Rosettes doubled & D.T. at bottom, Fine	20.00
492 ⊙	#26 Printers imprint at left - rare	5.00
493 ⊙	#65 Double Perforations at top and bottom	10.00
494 ⊙	#68 Unlisted diagonal bisect tied to piece of cover by neat "San Francisco" cancel in Blue, sold "as is"	???
495 ⊙	#76 Freak perfs. shows portions of two stamps	15.00
496 ⊙	#94 Same as #76 used	5.00
497 ⊙	#206 Unusual large plate fault - rare	25.00
498 ★	#210 Very Rare Laid paper variety OG	50.00
499 ⊙	#220 Cap on right "2", unlisted, faults	10.00
500 ★	#227 Large Double Transfer - very rare OG	50.00
501 ⊙	#227 Double Transfer faults	10.00
502 ★	#283 Double Transfer in "Cents" rare and unlisted	50.00
503 ★	#294 Extreme shifting of center	10.00
504 ★	#300 Extra row of perforations thru center of stamp	10.00
505 ★⊞	#372 Block top pair both Double Transfer	25.00
506 ★	#375 Appears to be a double impression	???
507 ★	#376 Superb pair, one without watermark	15.00
508 ★	#371 Relief breaks, pair	25.00
509 ★	#405 Freak perfs, shows portions of two stamps	5.00
510 ★	#408 Kansas City Roulette, block of 6 imperforate vertically very rare and few exist	150.00
511 ★⊞	#409 Block, Kansas City Roulette	25.00
512 ★	#462a Booklet Pane with Cracked Plate	15.00
513 ★	#499 Freak perfs, shows portions of two stamps	5.00
514 ★	#499 Dry Plate Printing	2.50
515 ★	#499 Block, Dry Plate	10.00
516 ★	#Dry Plate	2.50
517 ★⊞	#501 Block, Dry Plate	10.00
518 ★	#532 Pin Perforated, unlisted and Scarce	10.00
519 ★	#499 Boston Lake shade rare unlisted	10.00
520 ★	#501 "Plum" shade, unlisted straight edge	10.00
521 ★	#501 "Plum" shade, unlisted Fine copy	17.50
522 ★	#510 "Dark Brown Yellow" shade unlisted	50.00
521 ★	#501 "Plum" shade, unlisted impression but sold "as is"	???
524 ★	#498 Vertical Pair Imperf. Between, short perfs. Collection of various plate varieties	25.00
526 ★	#515 Plate # Single, Dry Plate printing	10.00
527 ⊙	#567 Large Double Transfer	10.00
528 ★⊞	#653 Block of 4 with plate scratches	5.00
529 ★	#686 Strip of 3, recut ear variety	5.00
530 ★	#721 Cracked Plate, rare	10.00
531 ★	#721 Recut nose, with story	3.50
532 ★	#703 Shifted Center, scarce	5.00
533 ★⊞	#728 block of 4 showing cracked plate variety	5.00
534 ★⊞	#732 Block of 4 showing cracked plate variety	5.00
535 ★⊞	#Block of 9 center stamp scratched plate	15.00
536 ★	#736 U.L. corner block with double Transfer	10.00
537 ★	#804 Phantom Printing rare	5.00
538 ★⊞	#804 Block Phantom Print.	25.00
539 ★	#807 Phantom Printing	5.00
540 ★⊞	#807 Block, Phantom Print.	25.00
541 ★	#807 Freak Perforations, shows portions of 2 stamps	2.00
542 ★⊞	#807 Freak Perforations block of 4	8.00
543 ★	#942 Plate cracks, unlisted and rare	25.00
544 ★	#953 Pair almost imperforate between	15.00
545 ★	#806 Pair with gutter snip	2.50
546 ★	#1034 Freak perforations	2.00
547 ★	#1034 Block, freak perfs.	10.00
548 ★	#1034 Booklet Pane Freak Centering	15.00
549 ★	#1051 Cracked Plate variety	5.00
550 ★	#1098 Pair with gutter snip	5.00
551 ★	#1098 Block with gutter snip	10.00
552 ★	#111 Partial wreath at top scarce variety	5.00
553 ★	#900 Imperforate between VF	25.00
554 ★	#851 Pair completely blank OG, rare	5.00
555 ★	#1051 Pair freak vertical perforations	5.00

LATE ARRIVALS

Lot #	Cat. #	Retail Value
556 ★	#65 Superb proof on card	17.50
557 ★	#68-69 Superb proofs on card	2.75
558 ★	#71-72 Superb proofs on card	6.50

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More About Gum On Stamps

It should be remembered that we invited stamp clubs all over the country to take a stand regarding gum or no gum on stamps. As a result of this invitation Mr. Howard M. Kessler, program director of the Associated Business Stamp Clubs of New York City, took it upon himself to prepare a questionaire and asked each of the clubs in the ABSC to circulate the questionaire among their members and to hand the results over to him, for delivery to me.

GEORGE W. LINN

When at New York for the ASDA show last November. Mr. Kessler gave me the ballots with answers and a resume of the results of the questionaire.

It is perhaps desirable that I explain just what the Associated Business Stamp Club group is so that readers may have some understanding as to their standing. The clubs in this group have as fine a representation of collectors as could be found anywhere . They are above the average in many ways. All are over 21 and doubtless many are among the leading collectors in New York city, thus their knowledge and experience should be of the highest.

It should be interesting to our readers to know that this group consists of 22 different clubs, each made up wholly of the employees of some bank, life insurance company or other big business located in New York City. A list of these shows what a wide range of interest there is in stamp collecting.

American Cable & Radio — Bankers Trust — Bell Laboratories — Bell System — Consolidated Edison — Federal Reserve Bank — Guaranty Trust — General Motors Overseas — Guardian Life — Hanover Bank — Home Insurance — Irving Trust — Manufacturers Trust — Metropolitan Life — Mobil Oil — New York Telephone — Polaroid — Texaco — Union Carbide — Western Electric — Western Union — American Express.

There are approximately 1000 members in all. It is therefore interesting to see just what these collectors think of gum on stamps.

Rather than put the results in my words I am going to quote from a letter from Mr. Kessler which gives the results of the questionaire put before each club. It is dated November 20, 1959.

"In the accompanying box you will find over 500 ballots, representing the efforts of our twenty-one member clubs, plus thirteen additional ballots from the American Express Stamp Club, a prospective member of our confederation, which was willing to assist to us in this matter.

"The tallies are quite interesting in that 408 persons were against paying a premium for 'original gum,' with 134 favoring the premium. Ten votes were either undecided or too qualified to be for or against.

"On the matter of removing gum from stamps for their preservation, 304 favored this, but 232 did not. Sixteen votes were undecided or too qualified.

"I would like to make a few observations, based upon comments heard or mentioned on the ballots, which may be helpful in your campaign:

"1. Many members do not read Linn's Weekly and consequently were unaware of your campaign.

"2. Some people seem afraid of the ideas you present, as they have invested in gummed stamps and fear a loss in value if the premium for gum is eliminated.

"3. Other people fear the degumming of stamps on the theory a minority will not do so and will still find persons willing to pay a premium.

"4. Some people believe only the older stamps are in danger of deterioration and it should be optional whether gum is removed, although they do not believe a premium should be paid for gummed stamps.

"In any event, we are pleased to offer our contribution, which we believe will prove beneficial to you and our member clubs and above all to the field of philately.

"Sincerely,
"Howard M. Kessler"

In order that you may see just how the question was put to the various members I am stating the two questions here which were to be answered "yes" or "no".

"Should one pay a premium for original gum stamps ——?"
"Should gum be removed from mint stamps as a standard practice, assuming no devaluation occurred as a result of this action ——?"

You will note that over 500 members answered these questions and that 408 were against paying a premium for gum. On the matter of removing gum for the purpose of preserving the stamp 304 members were in favor of so doing.

Regarding the observations made by Mr. Kessler, 1, 2, 3 and 4, I want to say that if the secretaries of any of these clubs will drop a line to our office in Sidney, Ohio and advise how many members usually attend a meeting, that we will mail them enough sample copies to give one to each in attendance, thus getting them acquainted with Linn's Weekly.

I am afraid that too many people misunderstand my objection to gum and do not give the matter proper consideration. I have attempted at times to explain matters, but too many persist in looking at the matter in a different light.

First, I do not recommend or advocate that you buy current mint stamps and then wash the gum off. For collectors in locations where the climate is against the preservation of mint stamps I would advise removing the gum. Why should one keep stamps and let them get stuck down to album pages, or perhaps try to preserve them in some manner and in doing this have to put them away so they can not see or show them to others? It is far better to have an unused stamp without gum that you can mount on an album page and show than to have a stamp with gum that has become stuck down to an album page and can only be removed by soaking in water. I am sure anyone in any location where the climate is against mint stamps will agree with me and there are many thousands of collectors in just that situation. So why should they be penalized by devaluing their stamps if they have to remove the gum to preserve them properly.

If you are in a situation where the gum is not affected by the cli-

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Official 25c Airmail Cachets At WESTPEX

Western Cachets has been selected by officials of WESTPEX to prepare engraved cachets for first day covers of the new 25c Lincoln airmail stamp. It will have its first day of sale April 22 at San Francisco in connection with the WESTPEX stamp show.

The official cachet honors the centenary of the Pony Express and shows, in addition to a pony express rider, a new jet plane and the countries of the Pacific area served by the 25c airmail rate.

WESTPEX is the first annual exhibition of the Assn. for Western Stamp Exhibitions, Inc. It will be staged at the Whitcomb Hotel, San Francisco Friday through Sunday, April 22-24.

First day covers of the new 25c airmail may be ordered in sets of four different colors. The engraved cacheted covers may also be ordered posted each day and bearing the special WESTPEX exhibition station cancel. For details and prices write Fred S. Wolfe, 776 Mission St., San Francisco 3, Calif.

1960 STAMP PROGRAM

—— — Inter-American Conference Airmail 10c, Washington, D. C. (50 per pane, 60,000,000).
Apr. 7 — World Refugee Year 4c, Washington, D. C. (50 per pane, 120,000,000).
Apr. 18 — Water Conservation 4c, Washington, D. C.
Apr. 22 — Airmail regular 25c, San Francisco, Calif. (50 per pane).
May 18 — American Credo, Thomas Jefferson, Charlottsville, Va. (50 per pane, 120,000,000).
May 28 — 2½c stamped envelope, Chicago, Ill.
May 31—SEATO 4c Southeast Asia Treaty Organization, Washington, D. C.
June 10 — Airmail Regular 10c, Miami, Fla. (50 per pane).
June 17 — 1¼c regular and 1¼c coil, Santa Fe, N. M.
June 25 — 1¼c stamped envelope, Birmingham, Ala.
—— — Boys' Clubs of America (120,000,000).
July 4 — 50-Star Flag 4c, Honolulu, Hawaii.
July 19 — Pony Express 4c, Sacramento, Calif. (50 per pane, 120,000,000).
July 19 — Pony Express 4c envelope, St. Joseph, Mo.
Aug. 28 — Employ the Physically Handicapped, New York, N. Y.
Aug. 29 — Fifth World Forestry Congress, Seattle, Wash.
Sept. 14 — American Credo, Francis Scott Key, Baltimore, Md.
Nov. 1 — Camp Fire Girls Golden Jubilee 4c, New York, N. Y. (120,000,000)
Nov. 25 — Andrew Carnegie 4c, New York, N. Y.
Nov. — — American Credo, Abraham Lincoln.
Jan. 1961 — American Credo, Patrick Henry, Richmond, Va.

ALREADY ISSUED

1139 — George Washington "Credo" 4c, Mt. Vernon, Va., January 20.
1145—Boy Scouts Golden Jubilee 4c, Washington, D. C. February 8.
1146 Winter Olympic Games 4c, Tahoe City, Calif. February 18.
1147-48 — Masaryk "Champion of Liberty" 4c and 8c, Washington, D. C. March 7.
1140 — Benjamin Franklin "Credo," Philadelphia, Pa., March 31.

UNITED NATIONS

Apr. 11 — 4c and 8c "ECAFE" (Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East).

CANADA

April 20 — 5c Girl Guide Movement 50th year.
May 19—Dollard des Ormeaux Defense of Montreal.
—— — Natural Resources.
—— — 10c aerogram.

Details as to denomination, color and printings will be announced when available.

To obtain First Day Covers collectors may send a reasonable quantity each with a name and address, and enclosing a stuffer to the postmaster of the designated first day city with a request for FD service. Payment must accompany to cover the face value of the stamps to be affixed. For U.N. and Canadian first days, watch the news stories on these and follow instructions.

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List Of World Refugee Stamps

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Belgium and Surinam have expressed their intentions of participating in the program, but have not set dates or scheduled issues as of press time. The other nations in the following list will abide by the April 7 date unless otherwise noted. The Society's list shows:

Argentina (no date scheduled), two values; Austria, 3 Schillings; Bolivia (no date), 50, 350, 400, 1000, 3000B. ordinaries, and 600, 700, 900, 1800, 2000B. airmail; Ceylon, 4c, 25c; and China (Formosa) 40c, $3.

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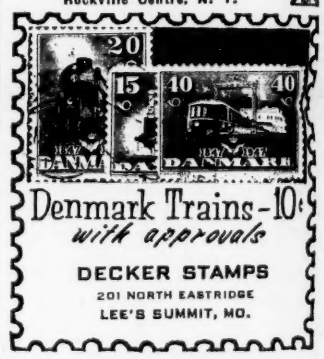

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People often hear of bills introduced into the Congress for the issuance of commemorative stamps. Seldom is the opportunity at hand to learn what these suggestions are. Through the courtesy of Rep. Thaddeus J. Dulski of the 41st District of New York I have such a list. Some of the events and people for which stamps are asked are as follows:

Nation's Pioneer Lumberjacks — 100th Anniversary of Illinois State Normal University—Coal Miners and Coal Industry (this is a perennial from many years back)—Sequoyah, Cherokee Indian—Battle of Kings Mountain—100th Birth Anniversary of Gen. John J. Pershing—Father Abraham Joseph Ryan.

Founding of Lansing, Mich.—350th Anniversary of Historical Events in the Hudson-Champlain Area—200th Anniversary of the Founding of Princeton, Mass.—50th Anniversary of the First Landing of an Airplane Aboard a Ship—100th Anniversary of the Founding of Louisiana State University—Col. Michael de Kowats—125th Anniversary of the Granting of the First Degree in Science and Engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Commemoration of the Song "Dixie"—Birth of Jesus Christ (the Christmas stamp many have wanted for years)—Giuseppe Garibaldi—100th Anniversry of the Birth of William Jennings Bryan—50th Anniversary of the Founding of the Campfire Girls—Special Missiles for Peace—Jefferson Davis—Rt. Rev. James Varick, 1st Bishop and Founder of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church—350th Anniversary of the Founding of Santa Fe, N.M.—300th Anniversary of the Founding of the Hopkins Grammar School—Highway Safety Promotion—150th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of Mexico (this one is a MUST in my book).

As you know the Postmaster General has the right to select his own commemorative stamp program, supposedly with the assistance of the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee. He is not bound by Acts of Congress, a condition brought about after that fiasco of commems in 1948, the year of the Chicken, Turner, Youth Month, Progress of Women and other inadequate themes.

Most of the listed items above will immediately strike you as, "Who Cares?", or "Never heard of it (or them)." Still some weak stamps without national standing or importance slip in each year as the result of pressures, and definitely not merit. The administration has political debts to pay.

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1. One of the 1948 commems had a camel in its design. Which?
2. A propeller-driven passenger ship is to be seen on one of the 1948 commems. Which?

Little escapes the eyes of the individual who is acquainted with traditions and requirements in a specialized field. Take for instance the revenue stamp which those who have power boats must buy if they plan to navigate the waters under Coast Guard protection. This was illustrated and described in the edition of March 21 on page 14.

Under the Federal Boating Act of which the above-mentioned fee is a part, pleasure craft must be numbered in a specified manner and have running lights. The cabin cruiser shown on the stamp has neither!

Since one million of the stamps have been printed there is no intention to withdraw them for a more accurate design.

You've heard the expression, "People have more fun than anybody!" From the mail I get, I would paraphrase that to say, "Plate Block collectors seem to have more troubles than anybody!" It seems they are never happy with their lot as members of the tong and hinge fraternity.

A good many of them feel frustrated because the POD requires them to buy full panes of the 4c commems to get the plate block. What can they do with the extra 46 stamps, they moan? Another gripe is to the effect that their post office does not carry all numbers or all positions of those numbers, for a new stamp.

It would seem to me that if their plate-blocking is going to bring them that kind of frustration and unhappiness they'd better give it up. The ulcers and bad disposition aren't worth it.

The first fact of postal life they must recognize is that the POD requires but one plate number per post office size pane, and that's all it is going to print. It is a practical control measure for identification and there's no need to have a plate number on every other stamps as some would want. The postal people could get real nasty, lopping off the numbers after printing or printing without numbers at all.

Canadian stamps bought in post offices are without plate numbers. To still the pleas of the number collectors, the Canadian Philatelic Agency maintains a stock of panes which do have the numbers and which can be bought at face. In the higher denomination range you need not buy the full pane.

The difficulty as I see it is that a majority of the plate-blockers want to obtain their material at face. This, of course, is the dream of all collectors, but it seldom is possible for most of us. It would seem to me that the easiest way out of the situation is to pay a dealer the little over face he asks, or to get out of plate numbers altogether.

Those who have suitable connections at post offices, or who have exchange arrangements with others, have the least expense and the most fun. You might try that approach. Slip your post office window clerk a cigar or lollypop now and again for his consideration in saving you a plate block or so.

But above all, don't raise a furore with the Post Office Department anent the availability of plate blocks. If you're going to stay with this specialty, be quiet about it, and don't ask for more than you have coming.

Writing in the March 4, 1893 edition of "The Woman's Column", a publication of that day, C. W. Ernst had the following to say about a woman alleged to be the nation's first female postmaster —

In studying the antiquities of the American post-office, mainly to find out how much or how little we know, I have stumbled upon one fact that should be recorded in your columns. We all know that the women of the Revolution were at least as patriotic as the men. Their contributions towards the success of the Revolution have not yet received full justice at the hands of history. But for the present I will mention only one woman.

Mary Katherine Goddard was the daughter of Dr. Giles Goddard, and born in New London, Ct. Her brother was the eminent William Goddard, the founder of the Goddard family in Rhode Island. William Goddard published newspapers in Providence, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore. This passion of his will be graciously forgiven on the ground that all his papers were thoroughly American, and issued in the interest of the American cause. In 1773 he began the Maryland Journal, and when he was called away by his scheme to establish an American postoffice, in opposition to the King's Post, which was conducted with a view to remittances to the treasury in London, his sister took charge of the paper, not disdaining to set type, when necessary, and making altogether as good a paper as any. She conducted the Maryland Journal from 1775 to 1784. At the same time she was postmaster (or must I say postmistress? I hope not!) of Baltimore from 1775 to 1800, with an interruption from 1789 to 1793. It is highly probable that she was one of the first postmasters appointed by American authority. When Franklin was appointed Postmaster-General by Congress, Miss Goddard was in office, and stayed, though Franklin was very partial to his own friends and family, and Miss Goddard had her share of independence. Anyhow, when the American post-office began, a woman filled one of the most important places, and filled it well. In 1839 the post-office department, then, was wide of the mark in announcing that "it is contrary to a rule of this department to appoint ladies to office." The document lies before me, and is signed by "Sir, your obedient servant, Rob. Johnston, 2d Ass't P.-M. General." Women were re-admitted to the postal service in later days. But a peculiar glory attaches to the name of Mary Katherine Goddard.

There are a number of rather good stamp exhibitions coming up between now and the end of May, the latter usually being the finish of the "indoor" season excepting the national society conclaves. This month the roads are less hazardous providing safe travel to places where the stamps and covers are on display.

This is all mentioned because shows, at least the larger ones, are suitable places for ideas pertaining to your own philatelic efforts. See how your fellow man handles his mounting and arrangements. Couple such observations with your own ingenuity and build a prize-winning collection.

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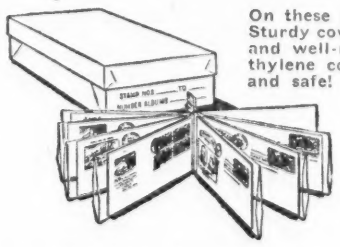

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Scandinavian Area Philatelic Activity

Axel Miltander

The Swedish press is currently "all shook up" about a recent development in the art and investment field. The excitement was caused by the offer of an unnamed resident of this country to exchange a rare old painting for—of all things, in the public's opinion—stamps!

The painting is a van Dyck, by the famous Dutch master. It was discovered 26 years ago and declared genuine by an expert, then sold to an American collector. Later it was purchased by a Swede and brought back here.

The work is a portrait of the English statesman Sir Kenelm Digby, a friend of van Dyck. It was painted shortly before the latter's death in 1641. Its value is at least $15,000, according to Einar Lundstrom, manager of Frimarkshuset where it is on display.

The selling of a rare painting is nothing exciting, but when such an object is offered in exchange for philatelic property, then THAT is news—hence, all the excitement.

This incident does point up the cold fact that interest in stamps is increasing so rapidly and so widely that persons with investment capital are taking more frequent, and longer, looks at stamps as investments. I suppose it is the same in the States, too.

Already some mail is arriving from Linn's readers—with, of course, questions about philately in Sweden. Special questions are answered directly, but some of general interest will be included here from time to time. Here are a few:

How big are the quantities issued of Swedish commemoratives?

The low values, used as general postage rates, have printings of ten to twenty millions each. The high values which are used almost exclusively on parcel post run from one to three millions.

As investments, which Swedish stamps are best?

This question is difficult to answer; in fact, it is one for the person who is not a serious collector seeking a wonderful hobby. "Investing" involves peering ahead to see what collectors will be liking when the time comes to sell one's "investment" at some future time.

All I can do is describe the trend of current popularity and prices, and the "collector" will have to take it from there. Right now sports stamps are popular and are much sought after all over the world. Sweden has issued such stamps.

Other topicals are popular, including the 1936 set noting the tercentenary of the Swedish Postal System. I remember that just a few months ago it sold her for about $13, mint, while right today the chap who wants it at that figure is going to have to take strictly average condition.

A favorable angle on Swedish stamps in general is that I see them offered every week in Linn's, and frequently I note that Stateside dealers are quoting them at less than the prices right here in Sweden! Probably as our own collectors increase their interest in our stamps, the condition may spread over the world, with prices abroad rising to keep apace of our own.

Interest in booklet panes has taken a sudden upsurge in many places during recent years, and right here it is particularly noticeable. Not too many months ago, for instance, the 5Kr. value in booklets with three and four sides perforated was available at face ($2 per pair) at the post office. Last week a collector advertised for it, offering five times face. He didn't even get a nibble!

April 23-24 Show By Chillicothe Stampers

The Chillicothe Philatelic Society, Chillicothe, Ohio, will have its eleventh annual stamp exhibition in the Central School multipurpose room April 23-24. The event will feature a 50-frame exhibition as well as a 12-page collection of Francis Cardinal Spellman.

Awards will include the society's annual rotating trophy and the American Philatelic Society's gold and silver medals.

A cachet, featuring the 150th anniversary of the revision of Ohio postal routes by the Congress, will show the importance of Chillicothe at that time. Covers are 10c each, from Robert D. West, P. O. Box 366, Chillicothe, Ohio.

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From time to time your column has received letters from readers inquiring about stamps of Great Britain overprinted with a value in Indian currency with no further means of identification.

In order to save time and trouble for others who may be puzzled by this arrangement, we refer you to Muscat, a small independent Sultanate located in the southeast corner of the Arabian peninsula.

During the war this area was part of the Persian Gulf Command along with Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, and others, and is now referred to in Britain as Persian Gulf Territories. Unlike Bahrain, Kuwait and Qartar, the name Muscat has never appeared in the overprint.

For many years it was served by the Indian Post Office and stamps of India were used. These can be distinguished only by the postmarks, and some of the varieties bring real fancy prices. In 1944 a distinctive Arabic overprint was applied to the then current Indian stamps and placed on sale in the Territory. A set of Official stamps of India was also treated in like manner.

1948 brought the introduction of KGVI stamps of Great Britain for use in Muscat overprinted only with a value in annas and Rupees. This practice continued until 1957 when the currency was changed to Naye Paise as in India. During this nine-year period commemoratives and definitive changes in British stamps were also extended to the issues for Muscat.

Most of the country's stamps are inexpensive but some items are a bit difficult to locate in fine used condition. One scarce variety is a double surcharge of the Rupee value of the Olympic set issued in 1948 (Scott 30a).

Great Britain—An interesting postal history exhibit has been presented by the Post Office Department at Olympia, where the Ideal Home Exhibition is being held. We have already reported on the new commemorative set being prepared for the 300th anniversary of the King Charles II Act "Erecting and Establishing a Post Office".

The display is part of the planned celebrations in honor of the Tercentenary, as is the commemorative set. The exhibition story refers to the history of the Post Office by means of relics, models, stamps, and scenes containing puppets.

Documents, maps, models of packet boats, stage coaches and other historic memorabilia are utilized to present to visitors typical points in the development of the British Posts. Modern methods of automatic sorting are shown as well as plans for the future, featuring further automation.

To foster interest, a mail coach and four left the Post Office Headquarters and drove through the streets of London to the Exhibition. The passengers were dressed in costumes of over 100 years ago in keeping with the occasion. The last time a mail coach left GPO Headquarters was in August 1846, carrying mail for Norwich. (GPO London).

Announcement was also made that the 8d value of the definitive set has been released with the new "Crown" watermark. We believe this completes the set.

Canada—First day covers of the new Girl Guides stamp can be secured by forwarding addressed envelopes to the Postmaster Ottawa 2, Ontario, to arrive no later than April 18. A service fee of 5c for each cover must be included, making the total cost 10c per cover. 30,000,000 stamps have been ordered in panes of 100 subjects, using Plate No. 1. Release date is April 20. (Post Office Department, Canada).

Australia—According to the "Australasian Informer", the bimonthly publication of the Society of Australasian Specialists, an article appeared in the "Australian Stamp Monthly" concerning the two dies used for the current 5d QEII stamp. It is believed that the dies alternate by horizontal rows throughout the sheet. The differences can be distinguished in the figures and the lettering.

New Pocket Catalog Of Japanese Stamps

A rather unusual, and very interesting, catalog of the stamps of Japan is that recently published by Risaburo Okada, Box 1571, Tokyo, Japan. It is of 4 x 7 pocket size, with 52 pages amply illustrated. The cover is heavy card with full color reproductions of some 25 or more Japanese stamps.

The booklet is in two sections, the first concerning issues of the Empire while the second deals with those of 1946 to date. While the language is principally Japanese, prices are shown in both yen and Dollars.

A generous sprinkling of captions and text is shown in both English and French. In addition, there is a parrellel listing of English abbreviations with explanations in all three languages. The catalog is offered by various dealers, and may be obtained also from the publisher for 50c mint commemorative U. S. stamps.

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616/20	.23	693	.12	801/4	.95	931/3	.30	B153/7	2.35	B318/9	.25
621/2	.28	694/9	.28	805/6	.75	934	.18	B158/60	.35	B320	.10
623	.18	700/5	2.75	807/9	.40	935/6	.18	B161/66	.80	B321/6	.85
624	1.25	706	.35	810	.10	937	.18	B167/72	.85	B327/8	.24
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659/63	.40	751/6	.65	864	.12	B63/5	.50	B249/54	3.95	C35	1.75
664	.14	757/62	1.00	865/8	.32	B68/9	.60	B255/6	.25	C36	3.25
665	.12	763/4	.28	869/72	.85	B70	1.35	B257	.30	C37/40	5.95
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669	.13	766	.14	874/7	.35	B73/5	1.25	B264/5	.30	1O1	.25
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Our "Prettiest Stamp in the World" survey is going in full swing. It has been picked up by newspapers from coast to coast, and goes into journals in Spain and Australia this month. Collectors who have not cast their votes are asked to do so at this time.

Many readers have written us pertaining to the Dutch rocket flights of Dr. De Bruyn. We can report that the Doctor is a genius in the rocket field and today many covers from his experiments are in the hands of collectors. However, it is our intention to report the news as it takes place. In order to bring out the facts, we must mention that these flight items are controversial as several of our informants have written the facts to us.

One collector informed us that the Dutch press published "nothing" on the rocket flights made in 1959, while major clubs in Holland have warned that the items are not serious in these days when rockets fly over 1000km while those of De Bruyn go about 2km.

We cannot vouch for any label or any flight of any rocket group—on the other hand, however, in our book these covers, when actually flown, will be prize items. Some of the labels of NRS (the De Bruyn group) will have no philatelic value in our opinion.

Flown items with full postal markings which are permitted to go to collectors (and not merely to a select group of dealers) will be the gems. When we get the full facts on the group we shall report them. In the meantime we hope to hear from collectors about any rocket group which may or may not be operating within the dictates of good taste.

The NRS has a fine program for 1960. We have seen a photo of a rocket vignette for a contemplated flight of 1960 for the Doctor feels that this year will be the "Venus Year" that is, that Venus will be reached by some rocket from the earth (USA or USSR?).

The next actual trial of the NRS was to be on about March 26. A three-stage rocket will be fired from a place nearby Arnhem, Holland. Some 800 covers will be carried. Each stage will have a different colored rocket vignette.

Readers who desire some examples of the vignettes or flown items may submit a stamped addressed envelope to this writer within ten days of this issue of Linn's, and the facts will be sent.

Polar items are on the upswing. Dealers just do not have enough of them or of Antarctic material to meet the collectors' demands. While the philatelic items with cachets, cancels and the like are fine property we can report the best pieces are the gems which folks received direct from explorers and army men at the bases.

Recently one of our readers let us see some fine examples of this type of material which truly make Polar philatelic items a vital part of history.

Some of the covers were posted at Christmas Island (Gilbert & Ellice), Fanning Islands, Canton Island, and at Shackleton (Falkland Trans-Antarctic Expedition). Later on they received the U. S. Pole Station cancel and on the day of the famous Hillary meeting January 10, 1958 at Ross Dependency a cancel was used.

We have seen U. S. and United Nations dispatches carried on some of these events, and they really show what can be done if a person contacts some of the actual participants of these expeditions.

Readers should watch names in the newspapers. Send a note, always a stamped return envelope and in many cases you will be surprised at the results. **Do not try any trick stunts.** Use actual postage of the country of origin and do not ask for anything unusual. If you address your letter direct to some person (instead of "Postmaster") the results will be a bit better.

Interest in the stamps of Surinam is growing in the States, however, we recently addressed an air-letter sheet to a firm in Paramaribo, Surinam. It was returned by the post office marked "Held For Better Address". We mentioned this to postal officials and were told that Surinam is a country (we did not know this???) and that we should let the office which sent the letter back get it again to send through.

Even with her eyes closed, "Miss San Diego" Leona McCurdy couldn't miss when the target was as big as Delta Air Lines' new Convair 880 Jetliner and the range a mere 1/3000th of a mile. The christening ceremony took place February 9 at Convair's San Diego plant when the 615-miles-per-hour jet became queen of the Delta fleet. The bottle contained samples from more than 50 bodies of water along Delta's 11,385 miles of air routes in the U.S. and Caribbean areas.

Therefore, to readers who send letters to unusual places such as Ryukyus, Surinam and the many other small countries, we suggest that when a properly addressed letter is returned, they head right for the local post office. Let the clerks know the facts, as once they think the country is not a country this faulty handling will go on and on.

We think the U. S. POD is doing a fine job on first day covers, giving out philatelic news. But we feel it should try to teach some clerks a bit about international mail as many times we go to a window in Cleveland and the boys look at us as though we were trying to send a letter to Mars. They thumb through books, check the wall listings and all that, and at last come up with an answer.

We know international mails are complicated and one cannot know all the postal facts offhand, yet when a collector faces a clerk who is in a daze all the folks in line think it is the collector who is off. In each and every instance I have taken part in, it was the postal clerk behind the window who has been off base.

Since our columns are based on international mail we suggest that at least a list of countries be posted near the windows of each postal station and near the canceling devices. Postage is high enough these days to warrant such consideration.

Delta Air Lines made its Convair 880 Jetliner speed run February 20. The story on this is that Leona McCurdy (Miss San Diego) christened the first production Convair 880 in San Diego February 9 with one of the most expensive bottles of water ever assembled.

Too bad the bottle was not franked and postmarked—it would be gem! Blended in it were samples drawn that week from more than 50 gulfs, bays, oceans, lakes, and rivers along Delta's 11,385 miles of air routes in the U. S. and Caribbean area.

The water was shipped by air and put in the ribboned container to be broken against the side of the all-white airliner in a christening ceremony. This was the climax to a delivery program alongside the San Diego plant of Convair Division of General Dynamics Corp.

When we look at our large (number 10) envelope which Delta used on its new 615mph Convair we shall think of the ribbon, the bottle and its contents. Of course we shall think also about Miss San Diego and the Convair which became a queen for Delta.

British European Airways has many firsts on tap later this year. April 1 the line went to Athens, Istanbul and Rome; April 2 to Warsaw; and April 5 to Munich and Tel Aviv. May 1 sees a first to Copenhagen and Nice, May 14 to Zurich and June 1 to Dusseldorf, Oslo and Stockholm with June 5 service to Malta and July 1 to Frankfurt. These are all firsts of BEA's Comet 4B jets.

Sometime in July the Vickers Vanguard will make its first flight to Paris. The firm has special printed envelopes for these FF's, and details in obtaining them will be given later.

That's it for now.

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353	2c Carmine (vert.)	3.00	6.00	8.00
354	4c Orange Brown (vert.)	8.75	17.50	21.50
355	5c Blue (vert.)	9.00	18.00	20.00
385	1c 1910-11 (horiz.)	2.00	4.00	6.50
386	2c Carmine (horiz.)	2.75	5.50	8.00
387	1c Green (vert.)	5.00	10.00	11.00
390	1c 1910-13 (horiz.)	.20	.40	.60
391	2c Carmine (horiz.)	4.00	8.00	10.00
392	1c Green (vert.)	2.00	4.00	5.00
393	2c Carmine (vert.)	4.00	8.00	9.00
394	3c Violet (vert.)	5.00	10.00	11.00
395	4c Brown (vert.)	4.00	8.00	9.00
396	5c Blue (vert.)	4.00	8.00	9.00
410	1c 1912 (horiz.)	.25	.50	.75
411	2c Carmine (horiz.)	.50	1.00	1.25
412	1c Green (vert.)	1.00	2.00	2.50
413	2c Carmine (vert.)	3.50	7.00	8.50
441	1c 1914 (horiz.)	.15	.30	.40
442	2c Carmine (horiz.)	2.00	4.00	5.50
443	1c Green (vert.)	1.50	3.00	3.75
444	2c Carmine (vert.)	5.00	10.00	12.00
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446	4c Brown (vert.)	12.00	24.00	30.00
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448	1c 1914-16 (horiz.)	.50	1.00	1.25
450	2c Carmine (horiz.)	1.00	2.00	2.50
452	1c Green (vert.)	.50	1.00	1.25
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345	3c 1908-09	2.25	535	3c Offset	1.60
346	4c 1908-09	2.95	575	1c 1922	1.15
347	5c 1908-09	4.95	576-7	1½c-2c 1922	.60
368	2c Lincoln	3.65	611	2c Harding	1.15
371	2c Alaska	4.60	631	1½c Harding	.45
373	2c Hudson	4.15	730-1	1c, 3c Ex. sheets	5.00
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Cachet At April 9-10 Wichita Precan Show

Postmaster E. C. Balay of Wichita, Kans. has notified the Kansas Precancel Society that the Post Office Department has authorized him to establish a temporary branch post office at the Society's seventh annual spring festival and stamp exhibition April 9-10 in Wichita. A special cancellation "KANSAS PRECANCEL SOCIETY EXHIBITION STA. WICHITA, KANS." will be used both days.

Another of the popular lithographed cachets designed by Herb Etrick for the 1960 show will be available at 15c each, both dates for 25c, mailed from the show with commemorative stamps postmarked with the special show cancel.

Also available in the same design but in different colors are gummed seals at 10c each, three different colors 25c. Addressed, stamped envelopes must accompany all orders for seals. All orders should be sent to Jack Thiel, Box 1335, Wichita 1, Kans.

Chicago Philatelic Group Names Canman Prexy

Richard N. Canman was named to head the officers of the Chicago Philatelic Society at a recent election. Leon Hyzen is vice president; William J. Schulze, treasurer; and Lloyd C. Minnis, secretary.

The very active organization meets on first and third Thursdays at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Area collectors can obtain details from Mr. Minnis, 722 Woodbine Ave., Oak Park, Ill.

Ghana Trio In Continuing Design

On April 15, commemorating African Freedom Day, Ghana will release a three-value set. This is the third time for Ghana to issue stamps on this date. The first was in 1958 for the African Conference. A set of commemoratives will be issued on the same date each year henceforth.

The new trio is being printed by Harrison & Sons Ltd. in London, by the photogravure method, 30 stamps per sheet. The design pictures flags which are arranged to form the beginning letters in the three words.

The 3d lowest value shows the letter "A" made up of flags of African nations with a picture of the African continent. The 6d bears the letter "F", also made up of flags, while the 1/- features the letter "D" similarly composed. The set will be a limited issue, on sale only five weeks.

AFDCS Offers Taped Interview Programs

The American First Day Cover Society has announced the titles of five tape recorded programs by Walter Law which are available to affiliated chapters. Covering a wide range of topics, they are of vital interest to every collector and will provide many interesting evenings for any local stamp club.

Program numbers and names of the prominent personalities interviewed by Mr. Law on absorbing philatelic subjects are:

12.12—Paul Taubman speaks on the famous Steinway topical collection of Music on Stamps.

12.26—A.J.E. Davis, North American representative of the British Crown Agents, on the distribution of the British colonial postal issues.

1.2A—Harry Lindquist discusses stamp issues describing current events and the People-to-People program.

1.23B—William Buckley, Arnold Copeland and Ervine Metzl, the three artist members of the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee, are interviewed.

1.30C—Congressman James Roosevelt speaks on "FDR and His Outstanding Stamp Collection".

These recorded broadcasts of the "World of Stamps" were produced through the cooperation of the Washington Press, Newark, N. J. Other titles will be announced in the near future. For additional information concerning this and the many other services available to stamp clubs, officers may contact to Sol Koved, 14 Samoset Rd., Cranford, N. J. He is chapter coordinator of the American First Day Cover Society.

Study Of Missouri Beer Revenue Stamps

The State Revenue Society, Box 278, Northridge, Calif. has recently prepared a checklist of the many beer stamps issued by Missouri in the past 22 years. A copy will be mailed free to any readers interested in the stamps or who can help with completing the list. A paid return envelope is all that is required.

These stamps were issued in three different variations and 14 different combinations of signatures for the two state officials whose names appear on each stamp.

The second major set was much smaller in size than the first. The third—and current—set is a smaller size yet. It is issued in two colors with the state seal and radiating lines as the background for the whole stamp.

The total number of possible varieties listed is 135. It is felt that the number of stamps issued but not yet listed will not exceed 5 per cent of this total.

Los Angeles Vatican Club Reelects Barnett Prexy

The Los Angeles chapter of the Vatican Philatelic Society has reelected A. Houston Barnett as president. Other officers are Earl Hodges, vice president; Ray Tierce, secretary-treasurer; and Waller A. Sager, editor of the chapter "Newsletter".

Mr. Barnett, 341 S. Canon Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif., is also membership chairman of the national Vatican Philatelic Society.

Germantown Society Names 1960 Officers

"When there are over 150 members in a club just two years old, and when 82 of them come out on a stormy night like March 16 in Philadelphia, why, you're really in a live-wire club," commented H. Weltin in reporting election results of the Germantown Stamp Club of Philadelphia, Pa.

Officers for 1960 include Mr. Weltin who was reelected president; William Pollock, vice president; Irving Metelits, treasurer; Richard Slavin and Walter L. Sosna, secretaries, and David Kitts, assistant secretary.

The next meeting of the group will be held April 5 at the Water Tower Recreation Center in Chestnut Hill, in the Germantown section of Philadelphia. An auction and trading will feature the evening. Club information is obtainable from Mr. Weltin at 8724 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia 18, Pa.

Harvey Johnson At ATA Chicago Meet April 11

The principal speaker at the April 11 meeting of the Chicagoland chapter of the American Topical Assn. will be Harvey Johnson, international president. It will be held at 7:30 p.m. April 11 at the Central YMCA, 19 S. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

President Johnson will demonstrate the functioning of the recently organized tape-recording unit of the ATA. Playbacks of tapes recorded by members here and abroad will be featured. The meeting is open to the general public free of charge.

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7-9	High Values V.F.	145.00	325.00	1250.00	630.00	100.00	80.00	—
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15	Flag	.55	3.20	7.90	9.50	.50	.35	170.00
16	Tabul	10.95	—	—	—	6.70	6.50	10.95
17-21, 23	2nd Coins, perf. 11½	1.15	5.00	14.50	15.50	2.70	.40	300.00
22	Petah Tikva	4.90	7.90	29.00	29.00	2.90	.40	425.00
24	University	.35	1.35	3.50	1.50	2.85	.14	19.00
26	Jerusalem	.70	1.90	6.00	3.50	2.95	.55	57.00
27	Negev	2.30	7.00	19.00	12.00	10.50	2.25	175.00
28-30	2nd Holidays	3.50	25.50	64.00	14.50	2.50	2.10	450.00
31-32	U.P.U.	.90	3.15	9.50	5.50	2.25	.80	70.00
33-34	Independence	4.65	25.50	64.00	36.00/6	3.25	2.95	475.00
35-36	3rd Holidays	.55	3.25	8.50	7.95	.60	.30	48.00
37	Maccabi	2.25	5.50	14.50	9.50	2.25	1.35	115.00
38-43	3rd Coins, perf. 14	.15	.40	1.50	.75	8.50	.04	15.00
44	Tel Aviv	.45	1.30	6.25	1.95	.55	.20	27.00
45	Bond	.18	.75	1.95	1.10	.35	.18	12.00
46-47	Independence 1951	.55	2.10	6.25	2.40	.60	.40	32.00
48-50	J.N.F.	.90	6.50	19.50	6.50	.95	.80	105.00
51	Herzl	.20	.70	2.45	.90	.40	.18	7.00
52-54	4th Holidays	.18	.50	1.65	.75	.40	.14	5.25
55	Menora	4.95	11.25	42.00	21.00	4.70	3.90	135.00
56-61	Add. Coins	.27	.50	2.00	1.50	.60	.10	29.00
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80-83	Coins 1953	.30	.45	1.65	1.65	.60	.13	33.50
84-85	Independence 1954	.35	.45	1.95	1.50	.50	.18	8.75
86	Herzl	.12	.20	.95	.50	.50	.07	3.75
87	7th Holidays	.03	.08	.25	.12	.15	.03	.85
88-89	Tabim	.23	.40	1.25	.90	.55	.20	6.25
90	Rothschild	.20	.25	1.20	.90	.45	.10	4.85
91	Teachers	.20	.25	1.20	.90	.45	.10	4.50
92	Parachutist	.08	.25	.95	.40	.35	.08	3.95
93	Independence 1955	.10	.25	.95	.50	.45	.10	3.95
94-99	Children	.65	.75	3.25	2.60	.85	.40	16.50
100-103	8th Holidays	.30	.35	1.60	1.40	.30	.18	7.50
104	Mogen David Adom	.10	.12	.60	.40	.20	.08	2.25
105-116	Twelve Tribes	.68	.75	2.95	2.60	1.25	.25	69.00
117	Einstein	.25	.30	1.25	1.00	.50	.20	5.75
118	Technion	.22	.25	1.00	1.00	.40	.18	4.50

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119	Independence 1956	.08	.10	.40	.35	.20	.07	2.40
120	Citrus	.18	.20	.70	.70	.30	.10	3.60
121-123	9th Holidays	.15	.18	.65	.60	.30	.11	2.80
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143	Youth	.15	.20	.85	.70	.35	.15	3.25
144	Anniversary Exhib.	.30	.32	1.25	1.20	.45	.30	5.50
145-148	11th Holidays	.40	.45	1.75	1.65	.65	.40	8.50
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150-153	Postal Activities	.65	.70	2.75	2.60	.90	.60	13.25
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160	Civil Aviation	.36	.40	1.60	1.60	.45	.40	7.50
161-163	12th Holidays	.40	.42	1.75	1.65	.60	.40	8.50
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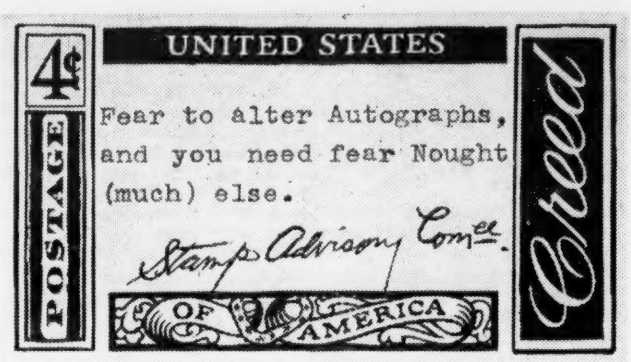

THE ABOVE STAMP DESIGN style motto has been submitted as suitable for hanging in various offices in the nation's capital; suggested color, blushing crimson. It is an adaptation by a collector who evidently had one eye on recent reports of the Stamp Advisory Committee's activities, and the other on the calendar.

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placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed.

Envelopes submitted should be of ordinary letter size and each must be properly addressed. An envelope must not be sent for the return of first-day covers and orders for covers must not include requests for uncanceled stamps. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers 4-cent Flag Stamp."

Collectors should bear in mind that this is a vertical stamp. Accordingly covers should be addressed low and as far to the left as possible, particularly where blocks of four stamps are desired.

There were 516,456 first day covers canceled February 18 at Tahoe City, Calif. when the 4c Olympic Winter Games commemorative stamp was released. A total of 957,177 stamps was sold, with a value of $38,284.68.

After three first day sales this year, there have been 2,374,746 FDC's canceled, and sales on these first days have reached $141,957.92. Figures for the 4c and 8c Masaryk "Champion of Liberty" stamps have not yet been announced.

There are to be three first day sales during April. On April 7 the 4c World Refugee Year commemorative will have its initial release at Washington (13), D. C. This will be followed, on April 18, by the appearance of the 4c Water Conservation stamp, also at Washington.

On April 22, the 25c international airmail stamp, bearing a portrait of Abraham Lincoln and his words "Of The People, By The People, For The People" will be first placed on sale at San Francisco 1, Calif.

Collectors are requested to send their covers for servicing as promptly as possible. Orders for first day covers of the 4c World Refugee Year and 4c Water Conservation stamps **are to be kept separate.** Any combined orders will be returned by the postmaster at Washington, D. C.

Several special cancellations have been authorized for use at various post offices. Orange, Mass. will utilize a special canceling die from the date of receipt through December 31 reading "150TH ANNIVERSARY ORANGE, MASSACHUSETTS 1810 - 1960."

Also, from receipt through July 30 Canastota, N. Y. will have a device reading "1810 - CANASTOTA - 1960 SESQUICENTENNIAL JULY 24-30". Baltimore, Md. will use six dies during April with the wording "KEEP MARYLAND BEAUTIFUL". Other cities with one die each will be Cumberland and Salisbury, Md.

From April 1 through April 30, 1960, Winchester, Va., will utilize a postal marking "SHENANDOAH APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL APRIL 28-29-30, 1960", and Bridgewater, Va. will employ one from April 1 through August 6 reading "125TH ANNIVERSARY TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER JULY 30 TO AUGUST 6, 1960".

Thomasville, Ga. will use a single die cancellation from April 1 through April 29 "ROSE FESTIVAL LAST FRIDAY IN APRIL THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA", and Hampton, Va. will utilize a die hub "350TH ANNIVERSARY OLDEST CONTINUOUS ENGLISH SETTLEMENT" April 1 — October 31.

Winston-Salem, N. C. is employing three special die hubs April 1 through September 30 reading "WINSTON-SALEM ALL-AMERICA CITY", while Spokane, Wash. has a design from April 1 through May 31 "LILAC FESTIVAL MAY 14-21, 1960 SPOKANE, WASHINGTON".

Additional cities using the "LAW DAY U.S.A. FREEDOM UNDER THE LAW MAY 1" cancellation from April 1 through May 1 are Erie, Pa.; Houston, Texas; Cincinnati, Ohio; Orlando and St. Petersburg, Fla.; Baton Rouge, La.; Augusta, Ga.; Duluth, Minn.; Niles, Mich. and Long Beach, Calif.

Returned GI, Movie At Minneapolis ATA

Two entertaining features are scheduled for the April 8 meeting of the Minneapolis Chapter of American Topical Assn. It will be held at at 7:30 p.m. in Room 510 at the YMCA, 12th and Nicollet, Minneapolis, Minn.

Lawrence N. De Mars, who served in France as a GI during World War II, married and lived there a number of years, will give an illustrated talk about "The Topical Stamps of France". He will relate personal experience and discuss French customs, people, history, points of interest, and stamp collecting likes.

"The Mayflower Story", a full-color, sound documentary motion picture of the historic voyage of Mayflower II, will also be shown. It illustrates the voyage of the replica of the famed Pilgrim ship which landed at Plymouth Rock in 1620. Visitors are welcome to attend, and there is no admission charge.

30th Anniversary Party On Schedule At Oshkosh

The Oshkosh (Wis.) Philatelic Society will celebrate its 30th anniversary on April 24. It is one of the oldest philatelic groups in the state and is Branch 21 of the Society of Philatelic Americans.

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There will be about 30 exhibits by members of the Rockford Stamp Club. In addition, the Court of Honor will feature Dr. J. J. Matejka's Alaskan postal history material; Mrs. Paul Rohloff's Waterbury, Conn. fancy collections, and Harold Lizer's collection of Match and Medicine stamps used to help raise money for the Civil War.

Dr. Charles D. Sneller, Peoria, will exhibit his photos of world-wide philatelic personalities. The awards banquet will be Saturday evening in the Persian room of the Lafayette Hotel. Dr. Matejka will speak on the philatelic sidelights of tours through South America, Hawaii, and Europe.

A special cachet illustrates Abraham Lincoln in connection with his defense of John Manny, a Rockford reaper manufacturer, during an 1856-57 patent suit by Cyrus McCormick. Information on these covers may be obtained from Mrs. Carl S. Johnson, 6712 N. 2nd St., Rockford, Ill. Twelve stamp dealers will comprise the bourse.

Togo Cuts Down On Set For World Refugee Year

The Togo Ministry of Post and Telecommunications has announced that the World Refugee Year Commemorative issue will comprise two values only—45 francs plus 5fr. and 25fr. plus 5fr.—instead of the five values originally planned.

The time was insufficient to allow the other three values to be completed, according to the Togo Philatelic Agency, New York City.

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Ceylon Pair Notes World Refugee Year

A special issue of stamps has been ordered by the Government of Ceylon to commemorate the World Refugee Year, according to the Crown Agents Representative, Washington, D. C.

They are being printed by Courvoisier S.A. of Switzerland by the photogravure process in size 38 x 25mm. There are two values, 4c chocolate and gold and 25c slate gray and gold.

The design common to both features a symbol created for World Refugee Year stamps by the United Nations artists. The stamps will not be printed on Crown Agents' watermarked paper.

The new pair will remain on sale until August 31 or until stocks are exhausted, whichever is the earlier. During this period the sale of the corresponding denominations in the current series of stamps will be suspended.

Warsaw Catalog Of Polish Meter Stamp

"The Meter Postage Stamps Of Poland" is the English title of Tadeusz Hampel's recently published "Polskie Frankatury Mechaniczne" catalog covering meter mail franking of that country. It deals with the field from its inception in 1927.

The paper bound volume is illustrated with numerous line cuts of the various designs. While the first section of 70 pages is printed entirely in Polish, the remaining 27 pages are in English, affording a condensed duplication of the longer native language portion.

Included in the English section, along with the catalog listings, is a brief history of the development if postage meters in Poland. This covers both the 1927 beginning and post-World War II developments.

Further details and information about obtaining copies may be requested from the publisher, Polski Zwiazek Filatelistow, Zarzad Glowmy, Komisja Naurkwo-Badawcza, Warsaw 10, Widok 22, Poland.

Masonic Stamps Of World In ATA Book

"Masonic Stamps of the World" is the title of the new Topical Topical Assn., the topical collectors group.

Written by Clarence Beltmann, long time expert Masonic collector, the handbook will include not only United States Masons, but foreign Masons on stamps which are seldom covered in articles or texts on the subject. Years of research went into the compilations of the detailed biographies which will appear for 70 U. S. and 110 foreign members of the order.

Special sections will be devoted to American Presidents and Foreign Kings who were Masons. All biographies will be completely indexed to insure ease of use.

The well illustrated volume will sell for $3, but a special pre-publication price of just $2 has been set for a limited time. Orders should be sent to Jerome Husak, American Topical Assn., 3300 N. 50th St., Milwaukee 16, Wis.

Judaica Stamp Club New In West Orange

The March 15 organizational meeting of the newly formed Judaica Stamp Club, West Orange, N. J. was attended by some 25 topical collectors of Israel and related areas.

The next meeting will be held at 8 p.m. April 5 at The Jewish Center of West Orange, 300 Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange, N. J. There will be an interesting discussion by Israel collector Chester Callen.

Persons attending the April 5 meeting will be eligible to become charter members. For further information contact club president David Rappaport, 37 Hooper Ave. West Orange, N. J.

Stamp Activity On Spanish Front

Carlos Lenze, Barquillo 29, Madrid, Spain has reported final details on the stamps scheduled for the International Philatelic Congress in Barcelona. There will be two sets, for regular mail and air.

The former will be of 70c, 1 and 5 Pesetas depicting the Christ of Lepanto, and 80c, 2.50 and 10Pts. showing the front of the famous temple "Sacred Family" of Barcelona.

The airs will be 1, 5, 6, and 10Pts. in horizontal format portraying a pelotari (ball player) in the attitude known as "la remonta". All ten adhesives will be bicolored. Printings will be 350,000 sets of the surface mail items and 325,000 of the airs.

Plans include also two commemorative postcards, a 70c for inland mail and a 3Pts. for foreign sendings. They carry embossed stamps showing the caraval "Santa Maria" used by Columbus, and will be sold only during the exhibition.

Visitors to the big display will be able to see various stamps being printed in the Post Office Department's display. The current "Franco" 1 and 5Pts. values will be printed on a press there.

Colors will be the same as the current Scott Nos. 825 and 831, but the legend across the bottom will be "F.N.M.T.B." (Fabrica Nacional de Mondeda y Timbre Barcelona) instead of the "F.N.M.T." shown on all issues printed at the Madrid establishment.

Another press at the big show will be printing two of the coming Greco pictures stamps (for Stamp Day 1961), but these adhesives will be strictly held back for sale next year.

Maumee Valley Club Organized In Toledo

"The Maumee Valley Philatelic Society" is the name recently chosen by members of the American Philatelic Society in Toledo and Northwestern Ohio at their recent organization meeting.

Officers are Dr. Warren P. S. Hall, president; Alfred G. Boerger and Norman E. Moore, vice presidents; and Martin C. Van Buren, secretary-treasurer.

Application for an APS Chapter has been requested of the parent APS by a majority of the 50 members residing in the area. Their objective is to bring to the advanced collector programs which will be helpful in the study of stamp issues, past and present.

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ple". The date in the sun disc on the same stamp is that of the Revolution (July 14, 1958) while that in the sun disc on the 40f. is the Army Day date of this year (January 6, 1960). Designs and colors are as follows:

10f. blue green and lake—Kassim, in uniform but without cap, left; "Sun of Saladin", center; soldiers on parade, with army band, bottom.

16f. Prussian bue and red—Kassim, in uniform, with tie and overseas cap, to right; "Sun of Saladin", center; mortar squad and riflemen going into action, bottom.

30f. olive green, yellow, and yellow brown (a tricolor)—Kassim, centered, in uniform and cap, between the "Sun of Saladin" and a crest which may be the Army symbol, a manned anti-aircraft machine gun post, below.

40f. violet, buff and yellow (also tricolor)—Kassim, in uniform and cap, left; oil well and palm in background (symbolizing Iraq's principal income from petroleum and dates); a mortar unit lined up behind four field mortars, bottom, with bugler holding new Iraqi flag in foreground.

60f. violet brown and yellow—Kassim in open-necked summer uniform, without cap, right; crowd of civilians led by flag-carrying soldier, left.

The "Sun of Saladin" has been adopted from a favorite device of the famous Sultan of Islam. It consists in a sun disc enclosing an eight-pointed star with rays between the points. An inner circle contains elongated crescents facing inwards, with the "Wheel of Industry" and "Wheat Head of Agriculture" in the center and inscriptions (illegible) above and below.

This is also the central device of the new Iraqi Republic's flag, which consists of parallel vertical stripes of green, white and black, with the orange-red sun in the center of the white stripe, as shown on the 40f. value. This replaces the old monarchial banner of horizontal stripes with its red canton enclosing the two stars for the Tigris and Euphrates rivers.

Iraq, as has the United Arab Republic, has selected a device of Saladin in memory of the sultan's symbolizing Arab unity and nationalism. Modern Arab Nationalism does not base its creed on race but on Arab culture, history, and civilization, together with a broad regional concept overriding Arab state boundaries.

Saladin himself was not of Arab race but an Iraqi Kurdish prince who was reared in Baalbek of Lebanon, won his spurs and his first kingdom in Egypt, and lived to unite the Arabs from Libya in the west to Iraq in the east and south from Kurdistan to Aden. He defeated Richard the Lion Heart, driving the Crusaders from the Holy City of Jerusalem, creating a new sense of dignity, solidarity, and national purpose among the scattered Arab states.

The Iraqi Army shown on these stamps is composed of units which were largely British-trained and equipped under the monarchy. They had certain UAR assistance in the early days of the Iraqi Republic, and have received other western (British and American) and eastern (Soviet) equipment recently. It is a fairly large and well-trained army, still holding the pivotal position in modern Iraqi politics.

Although there have been evidences of communist infiltration and control of certain units, most of the army is still obsesssed with the Arab National spirit, and this has kept the regime from straying very far from the Iraqi people's basic Arabism. It is doubted that the present or any other regime in Baghdad could get it to move against brother Arab forces anywhere.

These are some of the reasons why the Republic of Iraq has seen fit to continue the monarchial tradition of honoring the Iraqi army each year with the country's most colorful set of commemorative stamps.

A rather unusual subject for a commemorative set of postage stamps is provided on Iraq's new set in honor of Premier General Kassim's recovery from the recent attempt to assassinate him.

On both the 10f. violet and 30f. green oversized commems is an open-neck shirt portrait of Kasssim, without cap, flanked with laurel and inscribed: "Bushra bi salaamat az-Zaim" (In Congratulation for the Recovery of the Leader).

The usual country name, in English beneath ornate medieval Kufic Arabic script (which originated in Kufa, Iraq), and the postal and value inscriptions in English and Arabic make up the balance of the design. The imprint is that of Thomas de la Rue and Co., Ltd., and the stamps were produced through engraving.

First day of issue was February 1, in Baghdad. The dates in the commemorative ribbon, to the right and left of the congratulatory inscription are not the date of issue but of the assassination attempt, October 7, 1959!

Iraqi Prime Minister Gen. Abdul Karim Kassim is rapidly becoming one of the most famous and controversial figures in the Arab world and a question mark as to whether or not he and his regime are to succumb to undue communistic influences.

According to the earlier republican and unionist Arab Nationalist regime in Cairo, Kassim is completely under the influence of his cousin Col. Fadl Mahdawi, dominating power in the "People's Court", who is an acknowledged rabble-rousing leftist, and leader of anti-unionist elements in the Defense Ministry, where he makes his home.

According to the Sovereignty Council, which collectively makes up the Chief Executive's post in republican Iraq, and official statements of the government, together with some rather visible and noisy support of a patriotic Arab leader of the Iraqi revolution and dedicated to the general principles of Arabism and progress.

Use of the terms "Eternal Iraqi Republic" and "az-Zaim" (The Leader) by the Kassim regime seem to indicate that government's pre-occupation with other concepts than Arab unity under the United Arab Republic's formula at the present time. Moreover, their inclusion on the two most recent Iraqi commemorative sets is another sign of the times in troubled Iraq.

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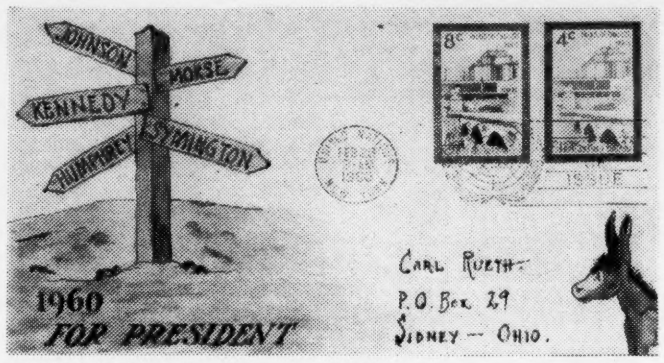

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Impressive POD Display At Barcelona Exhibition

An impressive display was dedicated in Barcelona, Spain, March 26 by L. Rohe Walter, Special Assistant Postmaster General Aurther E. Summerfield, in conjunction with the First International Philatelic Congress. This Congress will continue through April 5.

The Post Office exhibit occupies 3000 square feet in the Palacios de Montjuich, one of the buildings to be utilized for the exhibition and sessions. Its dominant theme is an open globe, in the center of which is a large red heart. In a streamer towards the top is the wording "Philately Promotes Friendship, as the Hearts of the World Speak Throught the Mail".

Atop the globe is a weathervane, part of which is an envelope addressed, simply, "Anywhere", and at the very top is a Post Office Department Seal. Around the base at the bottom, in postage stamp style, are likenesses of people of various parts of the world.

An arched entrance bears the wording "Philately in the United States of America". To the right are portraits of President Eisenhower and the Postmaster General, and above each their official seals.

On the back of this particular three-sided shaft is the statement of Herodotus: "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds", and below that are translations in four languages — Spanish, French, Italian, and Polish.

At the bottom are four enlargements of newspaper photographs showing the difficulties postal clerks experience in delivering mail, appropriate to Herodotus' statement. To the left of the entrance is an enlargement of the 49-Star Flag stamp, and at its back a blow-up of the 8c Statue of Liberty "In God We Trust" regular postage stamp.

Use of five languages was determined by the fact that this impressive Post Office Department exhibit is to be placed in the custody of Agency following its Barcelona showing, and will be displayed in France and Italy, in London, in July, and in Warsaw, Poland, September 3-11.

There are to be four free-standing units devoted to the Department's popular "Birth of a Stamp" panels, featuring the International Geophysical Year, Atlantic Cable, Brussels Exposition, World Peace Through World Trade, Balloon Jupiter, and Pan American Games commemoratives.

There will also be four special units, with displays on both sides. One will pictorially and through stamps tell of the "Birth of a Postage Stamp" on one side, and "America Seen Through Postage Stamps" on the other.

A second unit stresses the "History of the United States Mail" on one side and "The Post Office of the Future" on the other. A third combines "Processing the Mails" and "United States Postal Development", and the fourth "Progress Through Research" and "The United States Post Office".

A final unit is devoted to the possible means of mail transmission of the future, offering the possibility of swifter communication. Touched on briefly, since such methods are yet in the experimental stages, are missile mail, orbital and immediate mail. The reverse of this unit is devoted to stamps portraying President Abraham Linoln.

The exhibit, which features stamps in each unit, was authorized by Postmaster General Summerfield. It was created under the supervision of L. Rohe Walter, Special Assistant to the Postmaster General, and Franklin R. Bruns, Jr., Director, Division of Philately. Its installation in Barcelona was supervised by Americo A. W. Favale, Exhibits Officer. Mr. Favale also designed the Post Office Department booth at the Brussels Exposition of 1958.

Mr. Walter will be in Barcelona and will represent the Department at the various Congress sessions, along with Stanley Hodziewich, Curator; Sol Glass, a member of the Department's Stamp Advisory Committee, and George W. Brett of Washington.

Somaliland Council Overprints April 5

The Crown Agents Representative in Washington, D. C. has announced that a special issue of stamps has been printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson and Co. Ltd., to commemorate changes in the Somaliland Legislative Council. The issue consists of two values, 20c and 1/30 of the current issue overprinted in black: "LEGISLATIVE / COUNCIL / UNOFFICIAL / MAJORITY / 1960."

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AP Congress Names Research Committee

Ellery Denison of Takoma Park, Md., President of the China Stamp Society, will head a committee of The American Philatelic Congress that will seek means of implementing an exchange of data between specialist groups.

Associated with Mr. Denison on the committee will be Lt. Col. H. L. Halle, Baltimore, president of the Germany Philatelic Society; Robert P. Alexander, Washington, a director of the International Society for Japanese Philately; and Rimma Sklarevski, also of Baltimore and an official of Rossica, the Society for Russian Philately.

Thirty-seven of the country's specialist groups were represented at the Atlantic City seminar. The Denison committee will cull the minutes of that discussion and make proposals to a second Seminar session.

Specialist group officials who have thoughts on the subject are requested to contact the committee chairman, Ellery Denison, 7207 13th Pl., Takoma Park 12, Md.

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First flight covers bearing a special cachet were carried by the Pan American World Airways Clipper inaugurating service April 3 to Brasilia, soon to be the new capital of Brazil. The new service places Brasilia within 17 hours of New York. From Brasilia to Rio de Janeiro is another 2½ hours.

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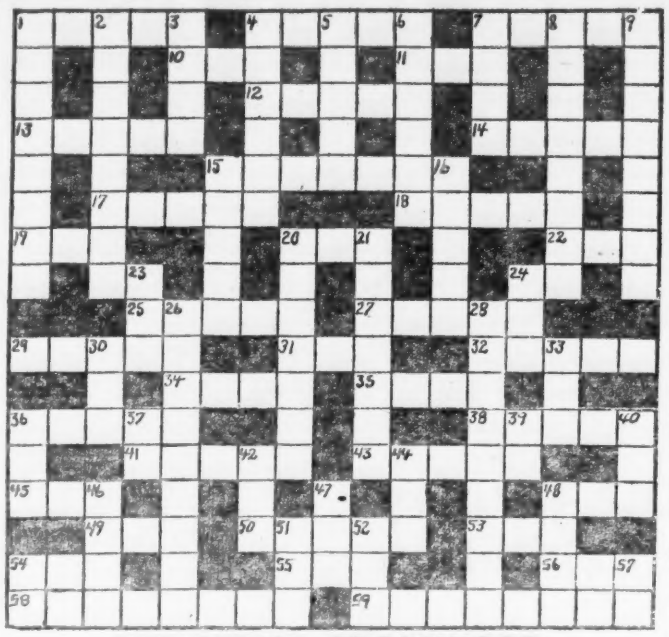

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1. "Alaska - - - - -" 1909
4. "- - - - - for Peace" issue
7. Topical flowers
10. Small hotel
11. Highway Post Office (Abbr.)
12. "Wildlife Conservation" bird
13. On first Air Post Card
14. UAR country
15. "Champion of Liberty" Hungarian Patriot
17. "Ohio - - - - - Canalization" 1929
18. Stamps collected
19. Pair
20. American Topical Association (Abbr.)
22. American Revenue Association (Abbr.)
24. United Nations
25. 18th President Prexy set
27. "Norse American" pictorials
29. Bay, on "Opening of Japan" issue
31. "Chipped - - -" Columbian variety
32. Set prices
34. 1953 Statehood Sesqui.
35. Scarce
36. 19th President Prexy set
38. "Booker T. Washington" homesite
41. On $1 Liberty issue
43. Monetary values India
45. Stamp auction price
48. First day issue (Abbr.)
49. Route (Abbr.)
50. Male duck on Hunting stamp
53. Nickname President Coolidge
54. Society of Philatelic Americans (Abbr.)
55. Edison's initials
56. Nickname President Lincoln
58. Great Americans, same name, honored in 1932 and 1958.
59. Faded.

DOWN

1. On 1c Park set
2. Animal on Australian issues
3. Denomination "Alamo" of Liberty issue
4. British watermark
5. Shapes of recent postal stationery issues
6. Full panes of stamps
7. "Betsy - - - -" issue
8. With Sherman on early double postal card
9. First steamship, first atomic sub
15. - - - - - and Uganda
16. Latin American country
20. Only woman honored on Liberty issue, last name
21. Osterreich
23. Geophysical year (Abbr.)
24. Union of South Africa (Abbr.)
26. With Goethals on "Panama Canal" issue 1939
28. Stamp with township overprint
30. Anthem composer 1948
33. Side margin on stamp pane
36. Cancellation die
37. Exclamation
39. An adverb
42. Carmine
44. Direction abbreviation
46. Dull appearance
47. Auto association (Abbr.)
48. Defect in stamp printing
51. Routes (Abbr.)
52. "Friendship, - - - to World Peace" Childrens issue
54. Direction abbreviation
57. Short for Edgar

New Name Adopted By Hanover Society

At a recent meeting of the Hanover (Pa.) Stamp and Covers Club, sponsored by the Hanover Kiwanis Club and formerly known as the Kiwanis Stamp Club of Hanover, the following officers were elected:

President, William H. Rodgers; vice president, Karl O. Schade; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Ryland Robinson, R. D. No. 1, New Oxford, Pa.; and assistant secretary, John R. Hostetter, 254 Princess St., Hanover, Pa. Earl F. Noel, Jr., 624 Main St., McSherrystown, Pa. will continue as editor of the "Monthly Bulletin".

The Hanover Stamp and Covers Club has become Chapter No. 11 of the American First Day Cover Society.

U. S. Stamp Rumored For Accord With Japan

While nothing has been announced officially, there is a strong rumor making the rounds in Washington that a stamp will probably appear soon to mark the centennial of Japanese-U. S. trade relations.

Japan has scheduled 10 and 30 yen values May 17 for the event, and William E. Salomon of Silver Spring, Md. has reported that the capital grapevine has a reciprocal U. S. issue under discussion. A possible release date would be during the Crown Prince's visit here later this year.

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Czechs Plan October "Bratislava '60" Show

The Federation of Czechoslovak Philatelists in Prague has announced the September 27-October 10 scheduling of a national stamp exhibition in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia. It will have the support and cooperation of all leading philatelic organizations in that nation.

The event will be a review of the best native collections. It will serve also as an introduction to the World Stamp Exhibition scheduled for 1962 in Prague. The theme of the 1962 spectacular will be "For Peace and International Cooperation".

The Bratislava show will be staged in that city's Slovak Museum, while the city will offer many non-philatelic attractions and benefits to both national and foreign visitors. Collectors desiring further details about the October event may write Vystavny vybor "Bratislava 1960", P. O. Box 1028, Bratislava, Czechoslovakia.

Syrian Single Notes Railroad Completion

The Syrian Region of the United Arab Republic, UAR has announced the March 15 release of 250,000 stamps in the large format (25 x 58mm design) of the area, to commemorate the construction of the Latakia-Aleppo railway. The newcomer is printed with borders, in contrast to the borderless style favored by the Egyptian region UAR.

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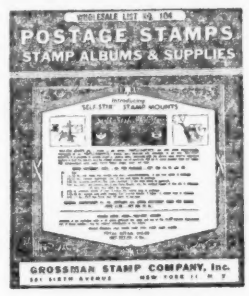

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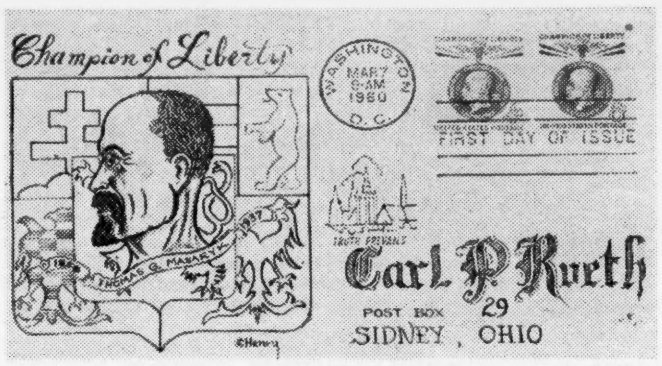

ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL EXAMPLE of hand drawn cachets is the above example produced by Cletus Henry, Jr. of Edwardsville, Ill. for the 4c and 8c Thomas G. Masaryk "Champion of Liberty" pair of March 7. It is in black, green and maroon with the Czech hero's portrait sketched to match that on the stamps. The coat of arms is in the background.

Recent European Philatelic News

Joachim Dill

The 20 pfennigs red and black commemorative described last week to note the 400th death anniversary of Philipp Melanchthon will appear April 9 in West Germany. It will show a portrait of the subject after the original by Lucas Cranach the elder, with the actual design the work of artists Michel and Kieser of Offenbach.

Printing is being done by the Bundesdruckerei at Berlin. First day service will be accorded at both Bonn 1 and Bretten (Baden). It was at the latter place that Melanchthon was born. The adhesive will be valid through 1961.

West German and Berlin issues on schedule include West German Olympic values of 1, 10, 20, and 40 pf. in May, and new regulars. They will show President Luebke on the 10, 20 and 40pf. values and the coats of arms of the ten federal states of the West German Republic on the other values.

The new regulars are expected later in the year, and it is understood that the values of 2, 4 and 6pf. and 2 and 3 Marks will be left out.

Berlin plans a May 24 commem for Robert Koch, and four June semipostals to raise funds for children's work. These two releases are not yet officially proclaimed, but are based on reliable information.

New Berlin regulars will include three with the portrait of President Luebke while others will show the Brandenburg Gate which separates the East and West sections of the city. It is said that the Berlin 8pf. which shows this landmark will be sold also by the West German post offices, since that region has no 8pf. stamp and the value is necessary for the local postcard rate.

Beethoven sheets reached a total of only 4,771,000 by the time sales were ended February 29, according to the West German Budespost. Officials had promised that the edition would be large enough to meet public demand, and it is understood that a fair quantity of it was cut apart and used as franking on regular mail. Accordingly, the stocks in philatelic hands are problematical, and wise collectors will not delay in getting their specimens.

A World Refugee Single will be issued by Austria April 7. Of 3 Schillings value, it will be printed in blue green in an edition of three million. The design was created by Adalbert Pilch and engraved by Rudolf Toth, featuring the uprooted tree motif. It is inscribed "Weltfluechtlingsjahr 1959-60 / Republik Oesterreich".

Lufthansa FF covers on way. Although only four days elapsed between the notice in Linn's of March 7 that the writer would service first flight covers for readers on Lufthansa inaugural U. S. service of March 17, and the March 11 deadline for receipt of covers in Germany, a total of 224 covers was serviced for Linn's readers. They were duly forwarded on Lufthansa's first Boeing 707 flight LH 420A Hamburg via Frankfurt to New York.

Official Insignia In AP Congress Plans

The American Philatelic Congress, having passed its silver jubilee, is studying designs for an official insignia. Approvals of such a device was given by the Congress Council during the 25th anniversary sessions in Atlantic City, N. J. last year.

A committee of Congress members, who are also members of the Postmaster General's Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee was appointed to study proposed designs. It will report to the 1960 Congress at Chicago's LaSalle Hotel, November 4-6. The group is composed of Bernard Davis, Franklin R. Bruns, Jr., and Sol Glass.

Several designs are already under consideration, but members of the Congress and non-members who have a bent for designing and who may have ideas to convey on such a design are asked to forward them to David Lidman, 390 West End Ave., New York 24, N. Y. They will be acknowledged, and then forwarded to the committee for consideration.

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The new 8d Australian regular to cover the basic surface letter rate to most foreign countries will appear May 11. It is red brown in color, after a design by Eileen Mayo who also designed the 9d kangaroo and 1/- platypus regulars.

A newspaper picture of the stamp sent by Keith Tucker, North Fitzroy, Vic., Australia shows the animal perched in the fork of a tree limb. It has a cat-like body, head suggestive of a rat's, and a long, very thick tail like a Labrador Retriever's.

Guatemala Overprints Eight For Refugee Year

Guatemala is issuing on April 5 a limited series of eight stamps in honor of World Refugee Year. The Red Cross stamps of 1958 (Scott Nos. C219-222) have been overprinted "World Refugee Year 1959-1960" in denominations of 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 6c, 7c, 10c, and 20c.

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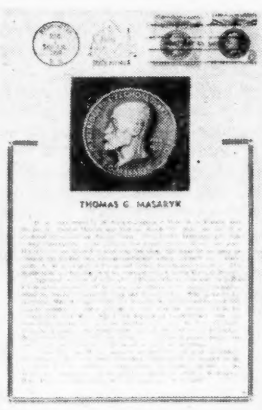

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TO PARAPHRASE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, the above aerial view of Brasilia, soon to be the capital of Brazil, is of a growing—and not a decaying skeleton. The photo was sent by Manoel F. da Motta of Rio de Janeiro who added that five commemoratives will soon appear to note the progress of the project. The set will consist of two regulars plus airs of 3.30, 6.50 and 11.50 Cruzeiros.

"Birthday Gift" For Linn Writer

Julius Weiss

April 7 will see another birthday anniversary celebrated by ye old sage, Julius. What could be a more appropriate birthday present than a series of stamps to be issued by countries all over the globe to commemorate "World Refugee Year"?

Since our columns have appeared in the world's philatelic and hobby press we have received letters from all parts of our planet. Many have asked for stamp exchangers or news from the American philatelic scene.

Some have come from folks who are members of the refugee community. These people reside in many parts of the globe. Their plight is indeed an unhappy one.

Certain of our fellow collectors are political refugees, while still others suffer the pangs of religious persecution. Regardless of race, color or creed some of these people indulge in a humble way in pursuits similar to those of anyone now reading this article.

It is the hope of this writer that each collector seek out some of the printed paper to be issued on April 7 or during Refugee Year. Some of these philatelic bits will be overprinted and have semipostal status with proceeds going to the refugee groups.

Further, it is our hope that dealers do not overprice these items, as stamps should be accessible to juveniles with limited budgets as well as adults who desire to preserve a few printed grim reminders of the plight of fellow human beings along the paths of wars.

Today stamps are being used for propaganda throughout the globe. We hope that all nations issuing stamps on April 7 look at their own refugee situations which the stamps may reflect at first-hand range.

Stamp enthusiasts of the world are a powerful lot. We know perhaps better than the average hobbyist that tyrants and dictators who have crashed our albums have subsequently faded into oblivion. We hope soon the refugee problem will fade out—along with its creators. We should like to see stamp collectors all over the globe display their refugee stamps at shows and exhibitions.

It would be an added "birthday present" for this writer to see all stamp enthusiasts—and especially those who are leaders in civic or religious life—notice the new stamps closely, study them, and discuss their meaning.

Collectors should send first day covers of their April 7 refugee issues to other collectors throughout the world; this would be a true international adventure. This writer feels that any nation which can issue a stamp to commemorate an event should live up to the symbolic device placed on that particular bit of paper.

Yes, on April 7 the philatelic world will create a new brother, a grim reminder of the not-too-long ago. Not every collector can boast such a birthday present but this writer shall do all possible to bring these stamps to the attention of collectors throughout the globe. In fact, in each of our April 7 covers, this writer likes to think of an unwritten message: "To lick a refugee commemorative is a step to lick the problem—let's stamp out refugeeism."

April 7 will bring the greatest birth day present any philatelic writer can receive—a symbol in the form of a stamp to convey hope to the victims of the world's greatest catastrophe—the war refugees.

World Refuge Quartet From Somalia April 7

Somalia has announced the April 7 release of four stamps to commemorate World Refugee Year. They will picture the uprooted tree symbol of the occasion.

The set was printed by the rotogravure method in Rome, on white, smooth, philigrain watermarked paper. Three of the values are for regular mail—0.10 Somala, palm tree, and 0.60S. and 0.80S., view of the African Horn. The 1.50S. picturing a stork in flight is an airmail.

Cachet To Mark UBBA Charter Presentation

The presentation of its charter ceremony will be held by Co. "A", First New York Regiment, United Boys Brigade of America, April 27. The group was formerly Co. "K" of the Third New York Regiment; it is being reactivated under the new designation.

To mark the event a special cachet depicting the charter will be offered at 15c each, seven for $1, by Col. J. A. Becker, 128-42 150th St., South Ozone Park 36, N. Y. Orders must be received by April 15.

France, Colonies Group Books Interpex Winners

The regular meeting of the France and Colonies Group will be held at 8 p.m. April 5 at The Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York City.

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Classified exchange advertiser H. Gaffen of 10 Russell Grove, Bristol 6, England whose name is familiar to Linn's readers has written that he is planning a trip to the States in May and June, with fair amounts of time scheduled for New York and Los Angeles. He suggests that interested clubs contact him about possible visits to their meetings, to the benefit of all parties.

"Published at intervals when time and stock permit" is the self-styled description of the "Philatelic Bulletin and Coin Circular" of Higgins & Gage, Inc., 23 N. Santa Anita, Pasadena 8, Calif. The present issue shows five pages of one-of-a-kind offerings of collections of all sizes and all varieties; it is worth a good looking over, and collectors may write for copies.

Matthew Bennett, 5401 Lynview Ave., Baltimore 15, Md. reports that his 34th mail sale scheduled for May 9 contains some of the finest material he has been able to offer in a long time. In addition to choice U. S. and foreign items, it will contain recent UAR imperfs, some Egypt palace imperfs, and a nice assortment of U. S. and foreign covers, including Netherlands rockets.

Charles R. Mann who operates in the British Commonwealth, Netherlands and Colonies areas through Box 3442, Charlottesville, Va. has a new 48-page catalog offering over 9000 singles, sets and collections in the area. Collectors may write for copies. Mr. Mann reports that he has been badly handicapped by the long sickness of a member of the family, but is now able to attend promptly to all mail.

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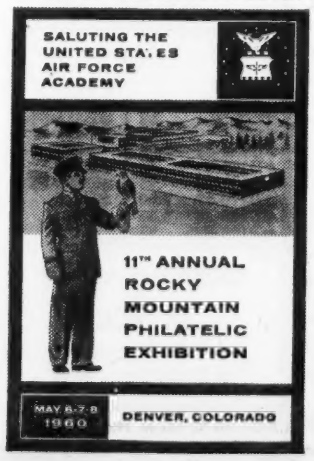

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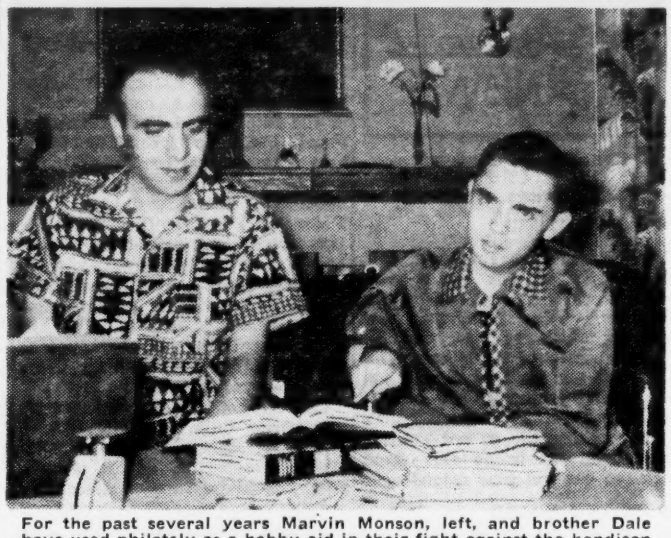

For the past several years Marvin Monson, left, and brother Dale have used philately as a hobby-aid in their fight against the handicap of muscular dystrophy. Within the past year they have converted the one-time hobby into a business of their own, under the name of the Philatelists Stamp Exchange.

"MD" Victims Are Not Stopped, Just Slowed Down; Build Own Business Out Of Earlier Hobby

Four years ago the Denver, Colo. "Post" carried a feature story about how the Paul Monson family with four boys and a girl was finding the way to happy living in spite of the fact that the head of the house was himself a heart patient and the three older boys had been attacked by muscular dystrophy.

The sequel to that inspiring account recently made its way to Linn's through the placing of classified advertising of a new concern, the Philatelists Stamp Exchange, 4524 Montview Blvd., Denver. The usual thorough checking of new accounts brought to light the old, old story of men who will not quit.

Long the victims of the "MD" malady and confined to wheelchairs, the three Monsons have all along found in their many hobbies relaxation and cultural improvements which have more than replaced many of the "finer things" the average young lad enjoys. They had their various collections, hobbies and pets, not the least of which was stamp collecting.

The senior Monson passed away three years ago; Marvin, 24, now heads the family and business venture. "I have been collecting stamps ever since the third grade," he explained. "A teacher—name long forgotten—got me started. Dale, he's 19, picked the hobby up from me, although of coure both of us and Bruce have other interests."

The youngest brother, David, is 11, four years younger than Bruce. Marilyn is a Brigham Young University graduate and is employed as a secretary, while Mrs. Monson keeps the home life moving happily and in good order.

After having graduated long ago from the glue-'em-down stage of collecting to an appreciation of the finer points of philately, Marvin eased out into the stamp approval business about a year ago. Came summer and he curtailed activities for the season, then got back under way with the advent of cold weather.

Now he and Dale are pooling their experience, interest and resources and plan to devote major time to their stamp operation. "We are still working on a 'general foreign' basis as regarding approvals, which I handle," he explained, "while Dale takes care of packet goods. We expect to give our customers the best in quality and service, for we want to help them enjoy the pleasures and benefits that stamp collecting has already brought us."

Pakistan Specialist Society In New York

Stamp collectors interested in the stamps and postal history of Pakistan are invited to join the recently organized Pakphil Study Group. It was formed to satisfy the widespread need manifest by the ever increasing interest in Pakistani postage stamps.

Until now, there has been no source of accurate information about Pakistani philately readily available to collectors interested in the historical and scenic subjects depicted on these popular issues.

The group will publish a monthly journal in which all this information will be distributed to the membership. Another feature will be a new issue service through which members will be able to acquire all new stamps, current sets and postal stationery at face value. Collectors may contact Jeanne Pogue, 23 Grove St., New York, N. Y. for further details.

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Ohio Club Answers New Hampshire Call

Richard K. Smith, president of the East Liverpool (Ohio) YMCA Stamp Club, reports its members have been rather pleasantly surprised to learn "how much territory" Linn's covers. The group was organized only last September, aiming especially at junior stampers, and the fact was duly chronicled in Linn's.

"This is my first venture in a stamp club," Mr. Smith wrote, "and it surely made us feel great to have a woman in New Hampshire see that story and write us about how we had formed our club and are operating it.

"She is the mother of an eleven-year-old and wants to organize a junior stamp and coin club in that city's YMCA. Of course, we are not experts, but we'll help her all we can."

Mr. Smith added that at a recent election he was given a repeat term as president of the Ohio club, with Carl Rassbach as vice president. Newly elected as secretary-treasurer was Douglas Steebner. The group meets on second and fourth Fridays at the local YMCA; further details from Mr. Smith at 584 Fisher Ave., East Liverpool, Ohio.

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The Post Office Department has authorized establishment of a postal station at the Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs' tenth annual convention and exhibition, April 23-24 at the Hotel Chieftain, Council Bluffs, Iowa. The Iowa Postal History Society will hold its annual meeting at the same time.

A special cancellation will be applied to all mail deposited at the convention postal station, and envelopes with two bicolored cachets will be available.

The April 23 cachet will note the tenth anniversary of the Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs. The second cachet—April 24—will honor the Iowa Postal History Society.

Robert H. Kingman of Topeka, Kans. designed the cachets. One features the map of Iowa, the other the Iowa Postal History Society emblem. They will be printed in black and red and franked with commemoratives.

The cacheted envelopes are 15c each, 25c for the set of two; remittance in coin or money order. Collectors should place orders by April 18 with Clyde C. Clark, 609 Garden St., Council Bluffs, Iowa.

C. E. Scott New Prexy Of Warren, Ohio Group

At a recent business meeting of the Warren (Ohio) Stamp Club the following 1960 officers were elected: C. E. Scott, president; Paul Oliphant and John Rebhan, vice presidents; and Armas H. Aho, 1658 Oak St., S.W., Warren, Ohio, secretary-treasurer.

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As shown by the stamp supplied by Manoel F. da Motta of Rio Janeiro, Brazil, the design features a large portrait of the scientist who was a Russian physician. No details of the commem were mentioned.

Dr. Zamenhof first proposed his "manufactured" language in 1885, and although it has never become the universal common medium he envisioned, it has many staunch supporters even to the present time.

Lake County Show In Painsville Mid-April

The Lake County Stamp Club, Painesville, Ohio will hold its second annual stamp exhibition and bourse April 23-24 in the IOOF Hall, 98 S. Park Pl., Painesville, Ohio.

Ranging from Zeppelins through Sputniks, the exhibit will include some 30 frames of country collections and topicals. Included will be Fred F. Balwin's collection of centenary stamps plus the actual "Number Ones" featured on the anniversary issues. Four dealers tables will comprise the bourse.

Show hours are 1-9 p.m. Saturday and from 1-6 Sunday. Highlight of the Sunday program will be a 100-lot unreserved auction at 3 p.m.

Hand-Decorated Cards Stir Olean Membership

The Olean-Wellsville Stamp Club of Olean, N. Y. boasts members from nine towns and villages in that area of the state. Meetings are held on third Mondays at the Olean House, with visitors always welcome.

Officers are Ralph Nicot, president; Thomas Adams, vice president, Kenneth Cornell, treasurer; and Louis A. Kilmer, West River Rd., Olean, N. Y., secretary. Mr. Kilmer uses FIPEX postal cards with added hand decoration along with friendly messages to cultivate member interest and stimulate attendance at the club meetings.

Endorsement Term For Beavon At Belmont Club

Joe Beavon, Sr. was reelected president of the Belmont County Stamp Club, P. O. Box 1, Bellaire, Ohio at a recent meeting. Other officers are Charles Weekly, vice president; Shannon Hadley, secretary-treasurer; and Ralph Hadley, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Organized by six collectors in April 1959, the club's charter was closed at the end of the year with 49 members. The club meets on second and fourth Thursdays at the Legion Hall, Bellaire, Ohio. Programs for every meeting in the first half of 1960 have been arranged, and all area collectors are invited.

Waukegan Lake County Show Moved To May 7-8

The Lake County Philatelic Society has found it necessary to postpone its exhibition dates from early April to May 7-8.

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COPC MEETING

The Central Ohio Precancel Club will hold its all day spring meet Sunday April 24 at the Hotel Seneca, Columbus, Ohio. Members start gathering about 10 a.m. and the meet lasts most of the afternoon.

A small auction is held and lots of swapping is carried on—both of stamps and stamp stories. Whether you are a member or not you are welcome to sit in on this meet. Mark the date on your calendar.

BULLETIN BOARD

The Southern California "Bulletin" in with a 1c and 2c Liberty from Caliente, Nev. Type U-130. The California count is 665 Towns and 1128 Types. The "Nebraska News" in with three 1c Liberties from North Platte, Nebr. in that neat little electro used there. The Nebraska count is 415 Towns and 646 Types.

The "Keystoner" bulletin of the Western Pennsylvania club in with a 1c and 2c Liberty from Bowmansville, Pa. Type U-134. The Pennsylvania count is 981 Towns (is that right?) and 1751 Types.

From the Upstate New York Precancel Club comes a bulletin with a ½c Prexy and a 2½c Liberty from Walton N. Y. Type U-122. This is really a brochure plugging the August PSS convention. Anyway, several N. Y. collectors have asked about this club and here is the address: Write Lew Joyce 23 Luther St. Oneonta, N. Y.

And now the "Tucson Stamp News" powered by a ½c and 2½c Liberty from Prescott, Ariz. Type U-120. Somebody out Tucson way surely likes to cut mimeograph stencils because this issue has three double pages of news and ads. It is not a precancel journal but one with a lot of leaning in that direction.

TOWN AND TYPE CATALOG

A letter has gone out to all state editors to compile a Town and Type list for a general Town and Type catalog. This I know will be good news to many collectors and we hope that the edition will appear by the next winter season.

PERFIN ON AN ERROR

Have a note from B. C. Lemke of East Lansing, Mich. telling of finding some MIKWAUKEE error Bureau prints "perfin" treated. I don't remember of ever having heard about this; if I did I have forgotten it, which could easily be. Anyway if you or I had the things we certainly would do as Mr. Lemke is doing—wonder just what they are worth.

As regular precancels, and otherwise in good condition they are quite valuable (there were the 1½c and 8c values in these errors, two to each sheet).

As many of you certainly read all the interesting articles in the February 29 Perfin Special issue of Linn's you surely can understand that it's not the stamp that counts with Perfin collectors but the Perfin itself. With precancel collectors it's the other way around.

They won't have a Perfin in their collections if they can possibly get a copy without it. However as scarce as these stamps are I imagine a lot of even "dyed in the wool" precancel collectors would look long and hard before discarding such items.

So I think these stamps do have a value but I won't even make a guess what they would bring in an auction. And as to Perfins, don't write me about them, they are extremely interesting but I know next to nothing about them.

One fair indication was mentioned in Linn's of March 14. At Irwin Heiman's February 25-26 sale an unused, almost full gum copy of the U. S. 1c green No. 594 perf 11 rotary stamp with perforated initials brought $1100.

About three years earlier a slightly better centered copy, without gum and also without perfin, had brought $3000. This reduction of over 60 per cent is in line with discounts mentioned by writers in the February 29 Linn's.

BUREAU VARIETY

Lt. Stanley B. Segal of Portsmouth Va. writes that in a large Bureau collection he came across a 3c War item from Chicago, Ill. with the "ILL." completely missing. Oftimes poor inking or very light inking causes these defects in printing. The color of this stamp being what it is would hardly show up a lightly inked impression.

Neither catalog mentions this variety so had to assume that it was a printing defect. The point is that if it was in the original plate it would show up on other stamps and would merit listing.

If only a printing defect or even if a broken plate the publishers do not look on it as a bonafide variety. There are a lot of such things to look for in the Bureau field and even if not valuable it's a lot of fun to turn up an item like this now and then.

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EDITORIAL

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mate then by all means leave the gum on your current purchases until such time as it becomes necessary to remove it. Too few collectors of today, those who are recent members of the great group of stamp collectors, know anything about early stamps of some countries. For example, early Japan have gum on them that is devastating to the stamp. Early Austria, also many other early issues of many countries are in the same fix. Gum has damaged some of these stamps and will eventually destroy them unless it is removed.

Early stamps were all printed on fine quality paper. 100 years ago they did not know how to make cheap paper. Only in more recent years have they found out how to make paper from wood pulp. Such paper is used today for our commemorative stamps and has been used for many years. Any of these stamps will live longer if the gum is removed. If you have the Columbians look at the backs of them. Chances are the gum is cracked all over, some may even show that the paper is cracked. Why should one not remove the gum and save the stamp? It is this kind of gum removal that I propose. When it becomes necessary to remove the gum to preserve the stamp I recommend doing it. In the earlier days peelable hinges were unknown. Many old stamps in old collections have so many pieces of hinges on their backs that they make a lump. The only way to remove them is to soak them. There are so few completely unhinged mint copies of most early stamps in existence that it is almost out of the question to expect to find them in mint condition. Many offered as mint are merely unused with a new coat of gum on their backs and those who ask for o.g. stamps are charged a stiff price for the application of it.

Time will come when gum on early stamps will not be a factor in their sale or in their collecting. There will not be mint copies available and as a result those without gum will sell just as readily as those with.

Collectors of plate blocks of our commemoratives have doubtless all run across a situation whereby a tab with the plate number has become folded over by some means or other. Trying to straighten it out is almost out of the question as the tab will be inclined to break off and thus a plate block is lost.

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#88a, same 1.00

MONACO

28, 29	4.50	Same, imperf	2.50
198-202	.50	C14-15	.50
Same, imperf	2.50	Same, imperf	4.50
295-300	.60	C16-20	1.00
340-353	1.25	Same imperf	4.50
354-362	1.50	C20a	1.00
366-70, C46-48	3.50	Same, imperf	6.00
B9-15	6.50	C36-39	2.00
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C8-9, Airmails	12.00	26.00
C10-13, Airmails	16.00	35.00
C27-29, Airmails high values	9.75	21.00
C30-33, UPU original colors	12.50	27.00
C34-5, Boslo	6.75	14.25
CB11-14 Boslo	4.50	10.00
J28-38, Postage Dues	4.50	10.00

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Same used	1.60	#C1-15	1.40
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#529-530 .... 1.60
#540-545 (⊙ 4.00) 7.50
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#551-554 ⊙ 3.25
#559-568 ⊙ 8.00
#569-572 .... 3.25
#573-576 .... 1.00
#577-579 ⊙ .... .75
#580-582 .... 1.60
#583-588 .... 1.65
#629-635 (⊙ 1.40) 2.75
#636-639 .... 1.00
#640-642 (⊙ .60) .... .85
#647-658 .... 2.75
#666-677 (⊙ 2.25) 4.00
#C1 (★ or ⊙) .... .80
#C2-5 .... 2.00
#C6-9 (⊙ .50) .... .95
#C10-11 (⊙ 1.00) 1.50
#C12-13 (⊙ 1.90) 2.90
#C12a, 13a ⊙ 2.75
#C20-25 (⊙ 3.20) 5.00
#C23a 12.00
#C25a ⊙ 15.00
#C25b 17.50
Same used 3.00
#C26-29 .... 6.00
#C30-33 ⊙ 5.00
#C37-39 ⊙ 1.75
#C40-44 (⊙ 4.75) 11.50
#C45-49 (⊙ 4.75) 9.50
#C50-52 .... 1.00
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All in very fine condition unless described otherwise. Mints are with full original gum, mostly never hinged.
#1 used 1.80
Same, red town canc. 3.50
#2 used 15.00
#3, used 16.50
#6, 6a, used 2.00
#7, used 12.00
#9 used 15.00
Same, horiz. pair 40.00
#10, vert. pair surface rub. (Friedl) 100.00
#12, mint vertical pair 30.00
#13, used 10.00
#14, small faults, certificate Friedl 125.00
#15 used 10.00
Same, horizontal pair 25.00
Same, block of 6, lower row short margins 60.00
#16 used 25.00
#17, used 40.00
#20, used 10.00
Same, pair 25.00
#22, used 8.00
#23, 24 used each 30.00
#27, 28 bar cancell. 5.00
#28, used 10.00
#29 used 10.00
Same, vertical pair 25.00
Same strip 3, heavy but clean pmk. 20.00
#30, used (bar cancell. $2) 18.00
#37-39, used 2.00
#37a, used bl. of 4 .... 6.00
#37, strip of 5, used 6.00
#39 strip of 4, used 6.00
#42a 43 used 4.00
#45, 45a 46 47, mints 4.00
#46, corner bl of 4, mint 10.00
#48, bar cancell. 2.00
#49-51, 53-4, used 3.00
#54, pair used 1.50
#55-60 mint 25.00
#57, 59 60 used pairs 8.00
#61, 62 66 mint 4.00
#63, pair, used 1.50
#64, mint 20.00
#67, used 2.00
#68 proof, center brown red 10.00
#69 proof red/black 10.00
#71, used pair 6.00
#73a, b, used pairs 28.00
#74 used 2.50
#79, used 7.00
#82-84, used 15.00
#87 used, strip of 3 .... 5.00
#91, used 15.00
#96, mint 6.00
#102, used 40.00
#171-173, mint 85.00
872, essays King Amadeus 8 vals. 15.00
889 essays Queen Christina, 10 vals. 15.00
#184, mint 1.25
Same, block of four 8.00
#184, double print, imperf., no gum 8.00
#193a, 203a, pairs imperf, no gum.. 20.00
#222-230, mint 20.00
#235-6, 238, mint 7.50
#240 mint 8.00
#242, 244, 246, 252, four vertical double strips (5x2) with double, triple, inverted prints, all imperforated, from margin of shts, no gum (40 stamps) 40.00
#272-281, 283-86, mint 20.00
#286 mint 6.00
#274a, 279a, de-luxe blocks 4, fine ⊙ 15.00
#279a, similar block of 4 .... 12.00
#309 mint, centered 4.00
#309, superb bl. of 10, used 9.00
#386-399 mint 4.00
#551, C72A, B, mint 1.50
#585 mint, imperf, pair 6.00
#598-601, imperf pair, two distinct shades of each 14.00
#625-634, mint 4.00
#O1-4, mint 1.40
#O4, mint block of four 6.00
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The following #s are at 15c each: 32 128 130 141 142 143 144 145 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 160 161 162 165 166 167 168 181 186 187 198 199 200 201 206 E45 J17.
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Trieste 150 different all mint, never hinged $14.00
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#289, pair imperf between 10.00
Same, punched initials 10.00
#292a, imperf between 12.50
#311a, 313a, 314a, 321a, each 11.50
#C1, imperf at left, marginal 3.00
#C2a 15.00
C5, fully imperforate 5.00
#C7, C9 fully imperforate each 5.00
#C19, imperf at top 5.00
#C66, invert. Ovpt. Sanabria 148a 8.00
#C67, imperf between Sanabria #149a 25.00
#C75a, double Ovpt. Sanabria 157a 30.00
#C114a 6.00

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Scott #	Mint	Used
1-13, E1-2	$17.50	$12.50
same, regist. cover	—	26.00
14	4.75	1.75
19-34, E3-4	30.00	16.00
same, less 28-31	1.50	—
on FDC	—	4.50
35-40	—	—
41-46	40.00	18.00
43 only	10.00	5.00
47-54	34.00	12.50
49 only	15.00	7.50
55-60	20.00	14.00
61-67	12.50	10.00
FDC	—	10.00
68-71	2.50	2.50
72-76	1.00	—
same, FDC	—	3.25
77-79	.20	—
80-83	.50	.50
84-86	.20	—
same, FDC	—	2.00
87-90	.65	.65
91-98, E5-6	.75	—
same, FDC	—	3.00
99-101	.20	.20
102-109, E7-8	1.50	—
110-121, E9-10	1.50	—
122-31, E11-12	12.00	—
same, FDC	—	15.00
132-139	—	3.50
FDC	—	6.00
140-142	3.50	3.50
same, FDC	—	5.00
143-144	6.50	6.50
same, FDC	—	8.00
145-148	8.00	8.00
same, FDC	—	12.00
149-153	10.00	—
same, FDC	—	16.00
154	.50	.50
155	2.00	2.00
same, FDC	—	4.00
155a	8.00	8.00
same, FDC	—	10.00
156-157	3.00	3.00
same, FDC	—	6.00
158-168, E13-14	1.80	1.30
same, FDC	—	7.00
169-170	3.50	—
same, FDC	—	5.50
171-172	3.00	3.00
173	8.50	8.50
174-175	3.00	3.00
same, FDC	—	4.00
176-181	1.50	1.50
same, FDC	—	3.50
182-184	2.50	2.50
same, FDC	—	4.50
185-186	1.50	1.50
same, FDC	—	3.20
187-188	1.20	—
same, FDC	—	3.50
189-191	3.20	—
same, FDC	—	5.75
192-194	.80	—
same, FDC	—	2.25
195-196	1.50	1.50
FDC	—	2.50
197-199	.80	—
same, FDC	—	3.00
200-202	1.50	1.50
same, FDC	—	2.25
203-208	1.25	—
same, FDC	—	2.75
209-211	.60	—
same, FDC	—	2.50
212-213	.90	—
same, FDC	—	2.50
214-215	1.25	—
FDC	—	3.00
216-218	.90	—
same, FDC	—	2.50
219-222	.90	.90
same, FDC	—	2.50
223-226	.70	—
FDC	—	2.00
227-228	.40	—
FDC	—	2.00
229-232	.70	.70
same FDC (2)	—	1.25
233-238	.50	.50
same, FDC	—	1.00
239-242	3.20	3.20
242a	4.00	—
same, FDC	—	6.00
243-246	.80	—
same, FDC	—	1.00
247-249	1.50	1.50
same, FDC	—	2.00
250-253	.80	.60
same, FDC	—	.95
254-255	.35	.35
same, FDC	—	.60
256-261	1.45	1.45
same, FDC	—	1.80
262-263, new Radio	.30	.30
same, FDC	—	.50
Nativity (2)	.25	.25
FDC	.80	—
St. Casimir	.45	.45
FDC	—	.80
Synode (2)	.25	.25
FDC	—	.80
St. Antonino (4)	.50	.50
FDC	—	1.00
B1-4	13.00	—
C1-8	1.50	—
C9-15	5.00	3.00
C16-17	60.00	—
same, FDC	—	75.00
C18-19	28.00	25.00
same, FDC	—	32.00
same, FDC, flown, regist.	—	36.00
C20-21	35.00	—
same, FDC, flown, reg.	—	51.00
C22-23	12.00	4.00
C24-32	2.50	2.50
same, flown, regist.	—	6.00
C33-34	3.75	2.00
same, FDC	—	6.00
C35-44 new airs	2.50	—
same, FDC	—	3.00
J1-6	12.50	12.50
J7-12	.30	—
J7a-12a	6.50	6.50
J13-18	.60	.60
Q1-15	7.50	7.50

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